

Design of Affordable and Efficient Ground-Source Heat Pump Systems

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Since 1993, Kavanaugh has owned Energy Information Services, which operates the GeoKISS website www.geokiss.com. GeoKISS provides accurate information on ground-source (geothermal) heat pumps, enabling designers and installers to develop affordable, long lasting and low energy systems by using “simple and solid piping, equipment and controls.”

Kavanaugh has also been actively involved with Habitat for Humanity for many years. He was chair of the board of directors twice for the Tuscaloosa Affiliate. He has worked on about 50 Habitat homes (including one with a GSHP system), and he was a construction supervisor for five of them. And for most of his life, Kavanaugh lived in homes that were heated and cooled by GSHP systems.

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Learning Objectives

1. Understand GSHP nomenclature, system types, and appropriateness of various options.
2. Become acquainted with equipment options and methods of calculating system performance.
3. Learn the procedures for ground-coupled (closed-loop) heat exchanger and piping design.
4. Become familiar with GSHP system costs and field-measured performance data.
5. Gain knowledge of available ASHRAE resources to improve and expedite GSHP design.

Course Outline

- Session 1: Introduction to Ground-Source Heat Pumps
- Session 2: Equipment for Ground-Source Applications
- Session 3: Applied GCHP Design
- Session 4: Piping and Pumps for Closed-Loop Ground-Source Heat Pumps
- Session 5: GSHP Performance and Installation Cost

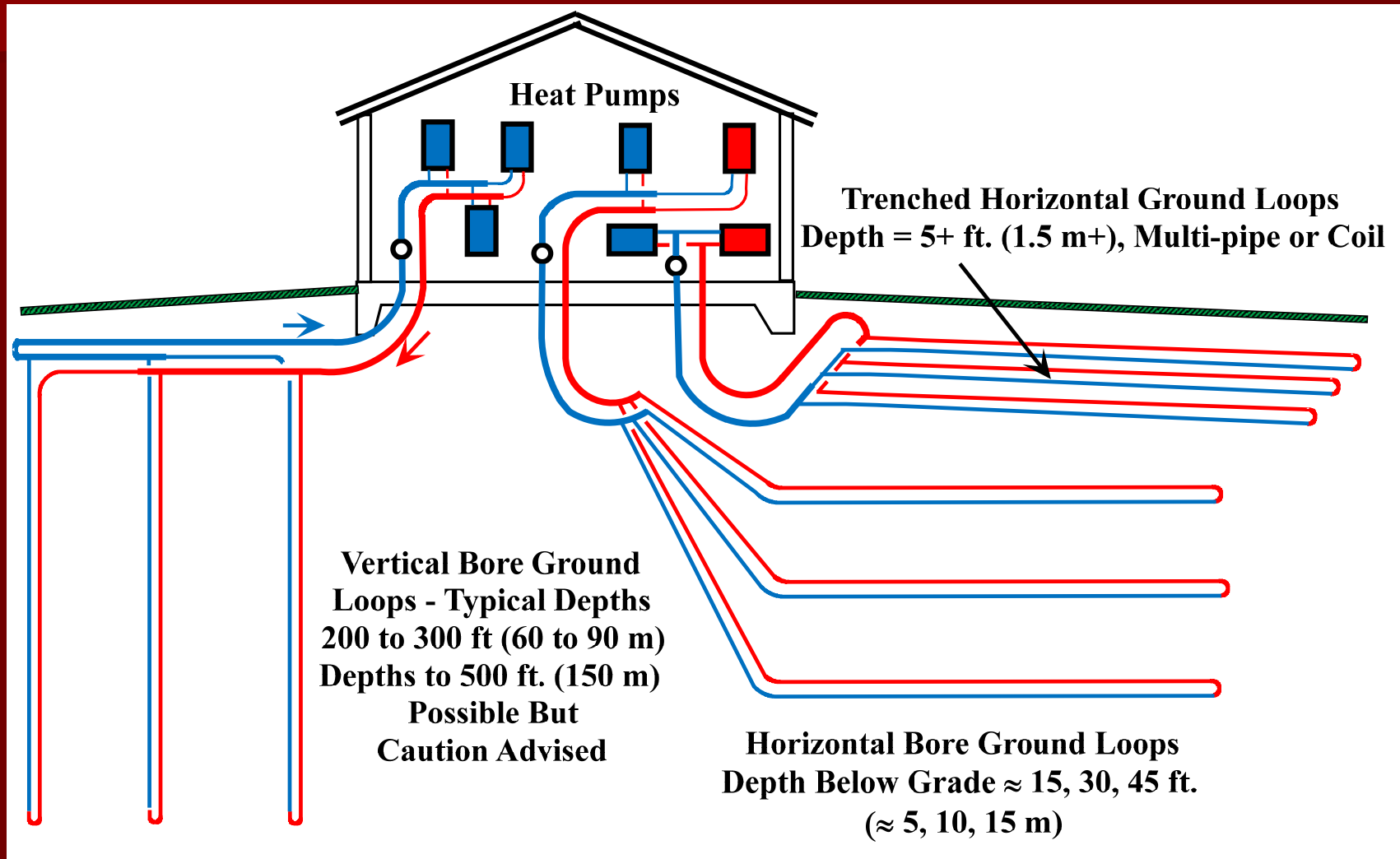
Session 1

INTRODUCTION TO GROUND-SOURCE HEAT PUMPS

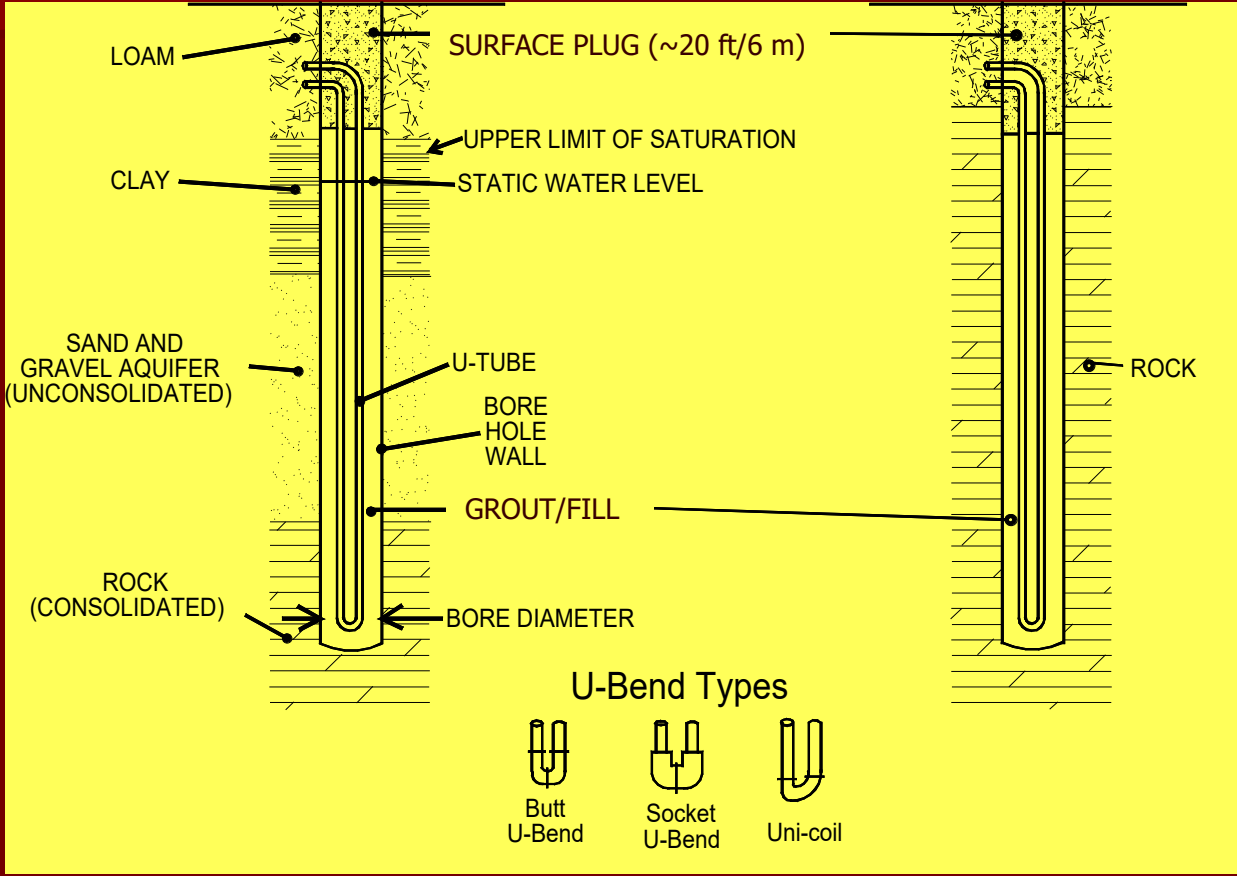
Some References

- 2015 *ASHRAE Handbook—HVAC Applications*, Chapter 34
- *Geothermal Heating and Cooling: Design of Ground Source Heat Pump Systems* (ASHRAE, 2014)
- *ASHRAE Journal* articles, “Long Term Commercial GSHP Performance,” Vol. 54, Nos. 6, 7, 9, 10, 12; Vol. 55 Nos. 1 & 2
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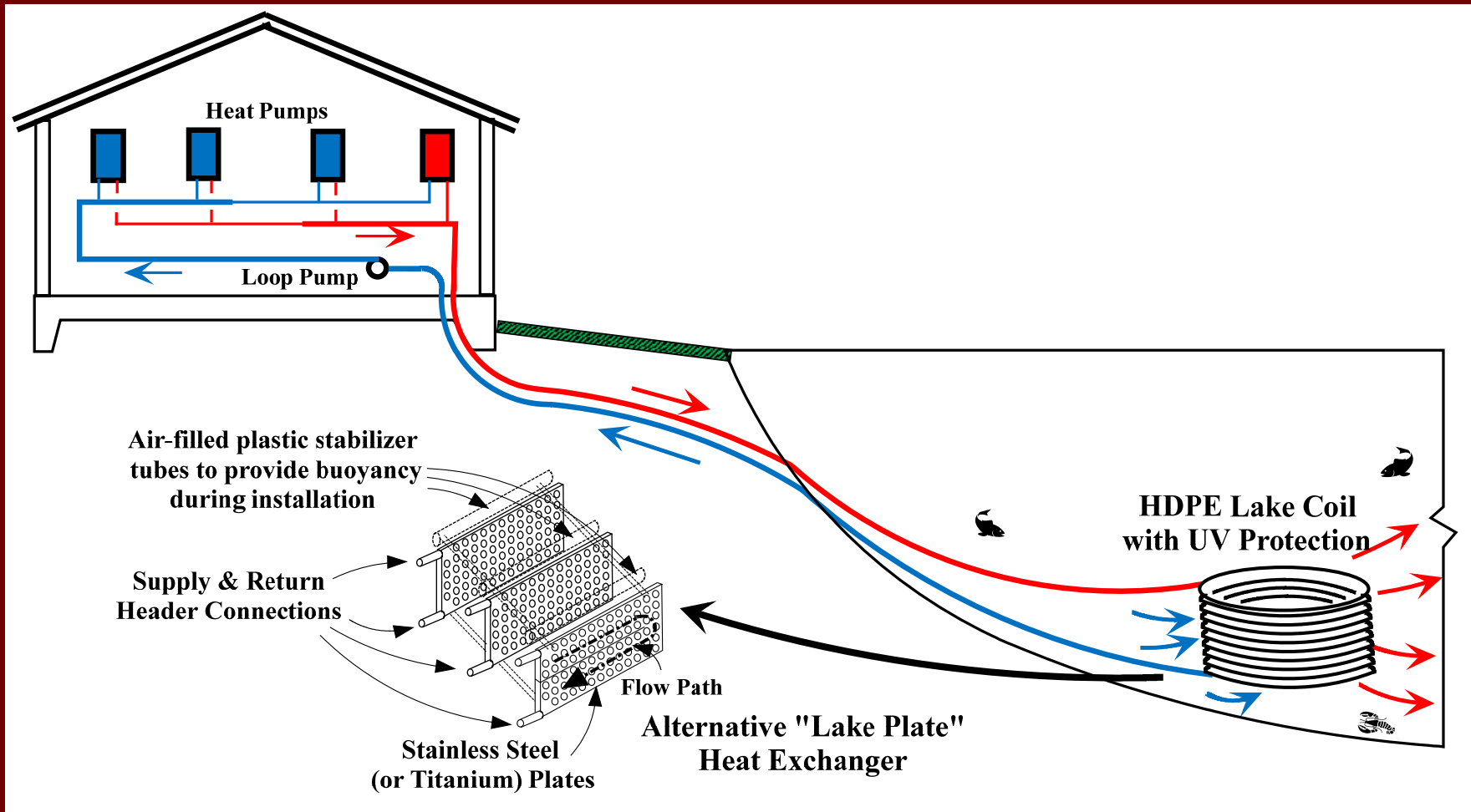
Ground-Coupled Heat Pumps (GCHPs) (a.k.a. Closed-Loop Geothermal) Description and Nomenclature



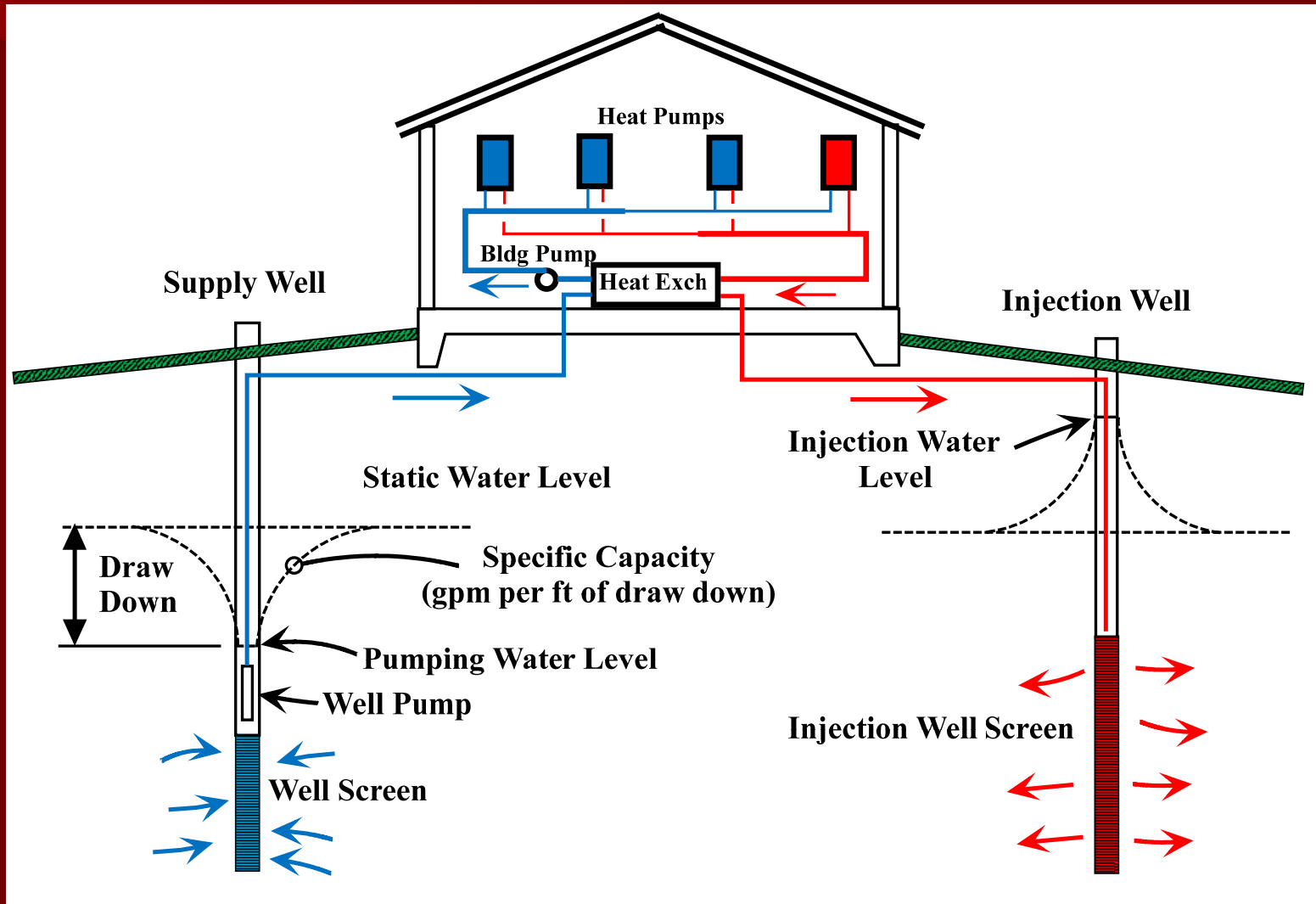
Vertical Ground Heat Exchanger Terms for Two Typical Formations



Surface Water Heat Pumps (SWHPs) (a.k.a. Pond Loop, Lake Loop, Ocean Loop, Open Loop) Description and Nomenclature

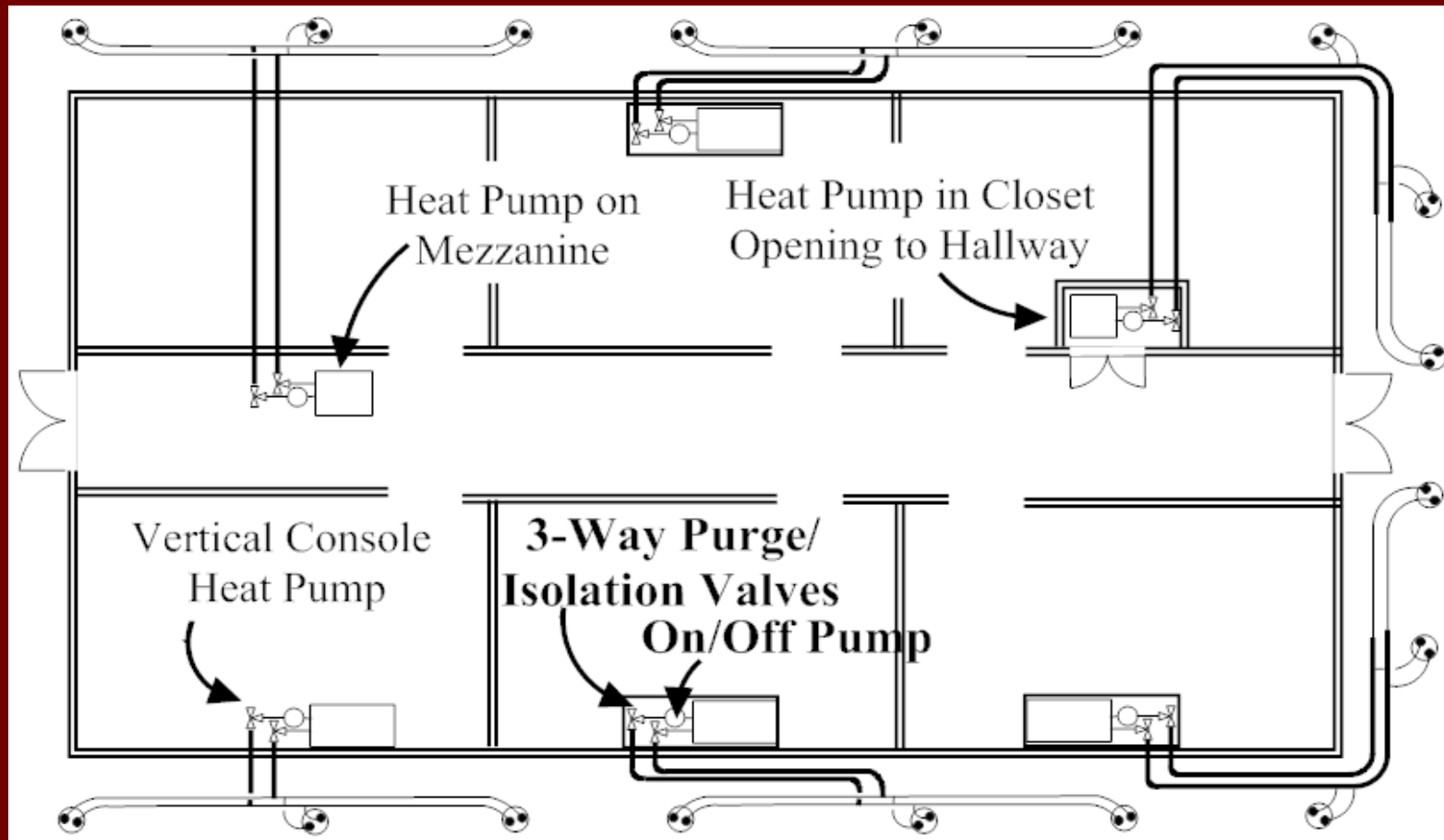


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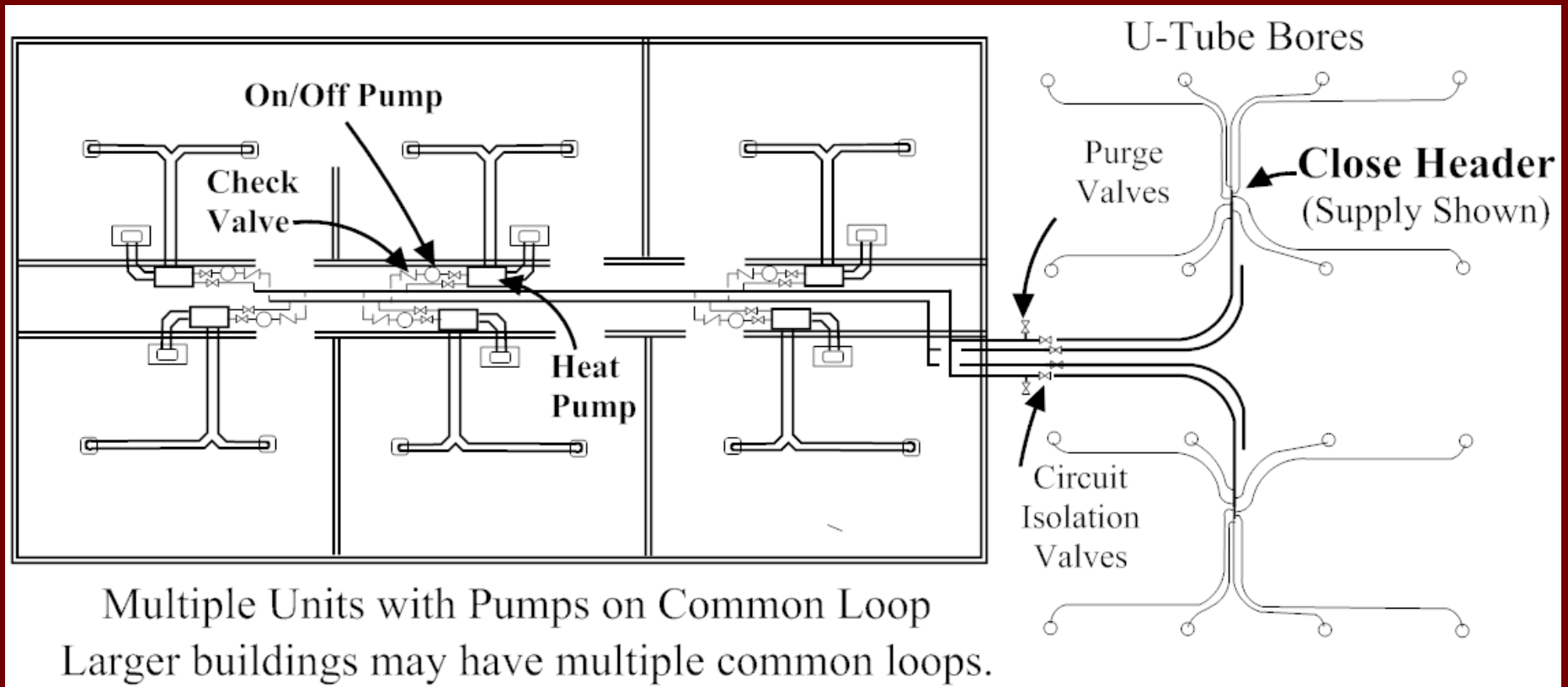
GCHP—Unitary Loop Option

Highest Average Energy Star Rating,
Simple Installation, Control and Maintenance,
Relatively Low Installation Costs,
Best with Low-Rise, Large Footprint Building



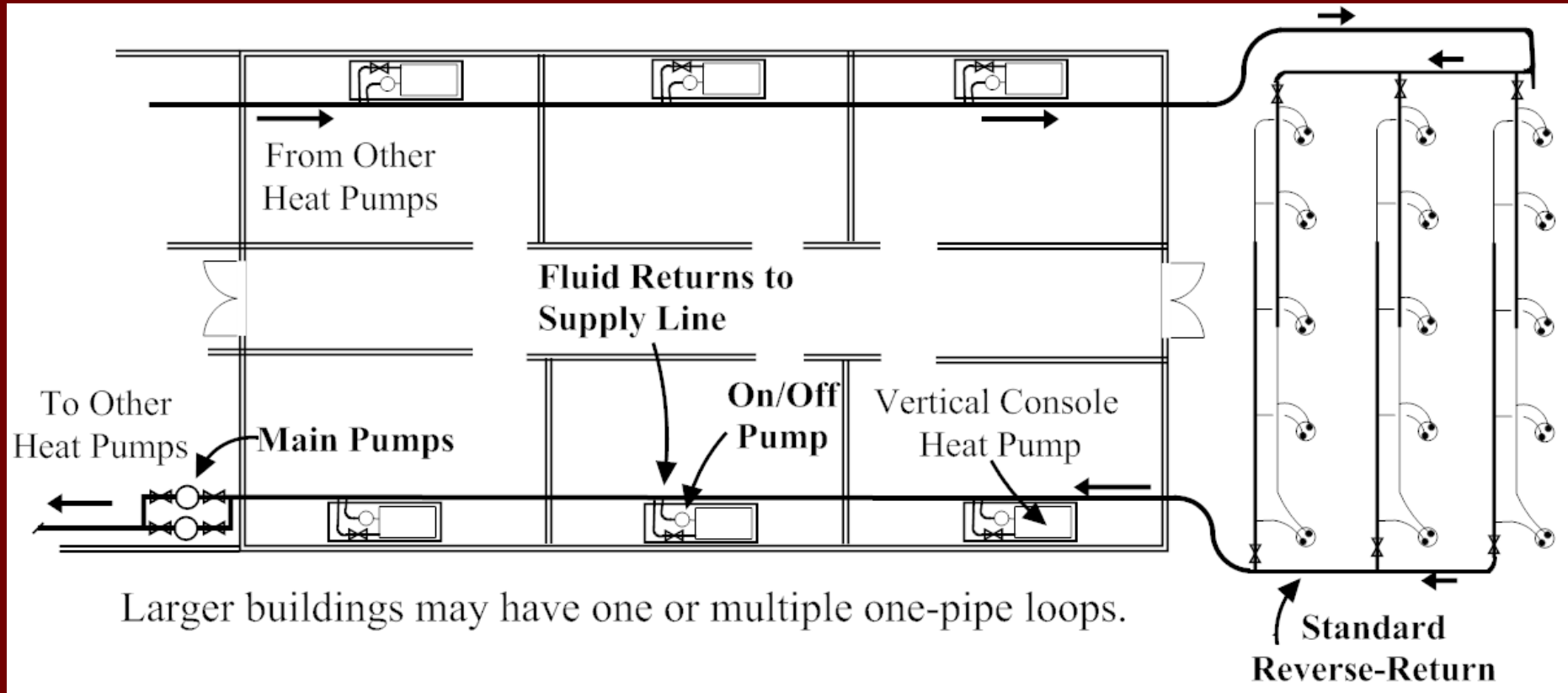
GCHP—Common Loop Option

Simple Installation, Control and Maintenance,
Takes Advantage of Load Diversity,
Relatively Low Installation Costs



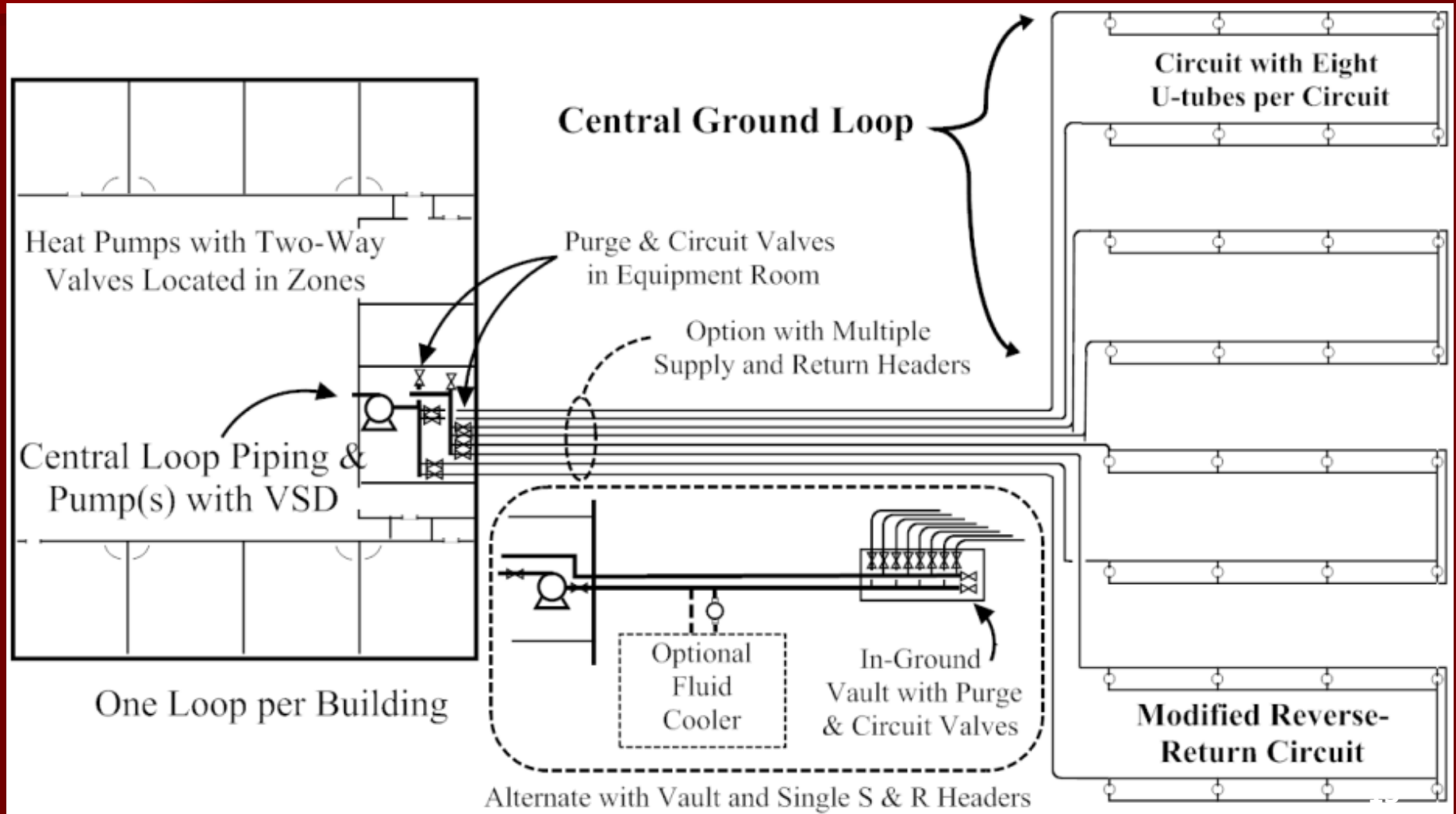
One-Pipe Loop Option

Second Highest Average Energy Star Rating,
Simple Installation, Control and Maintenance,
Takes Advantage of Load Diversity,
Relatively Low Installation Costs

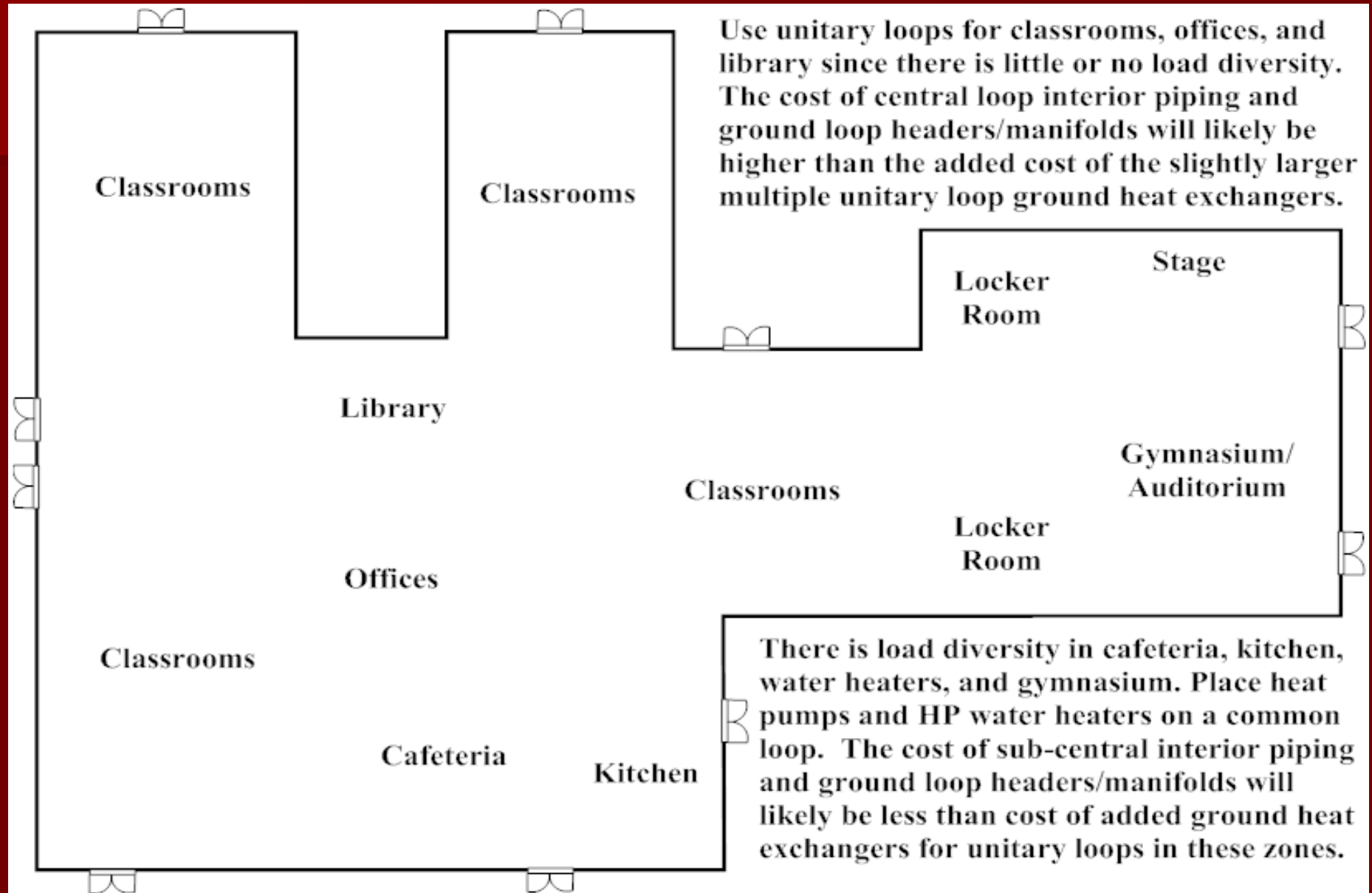


Central Loop Option

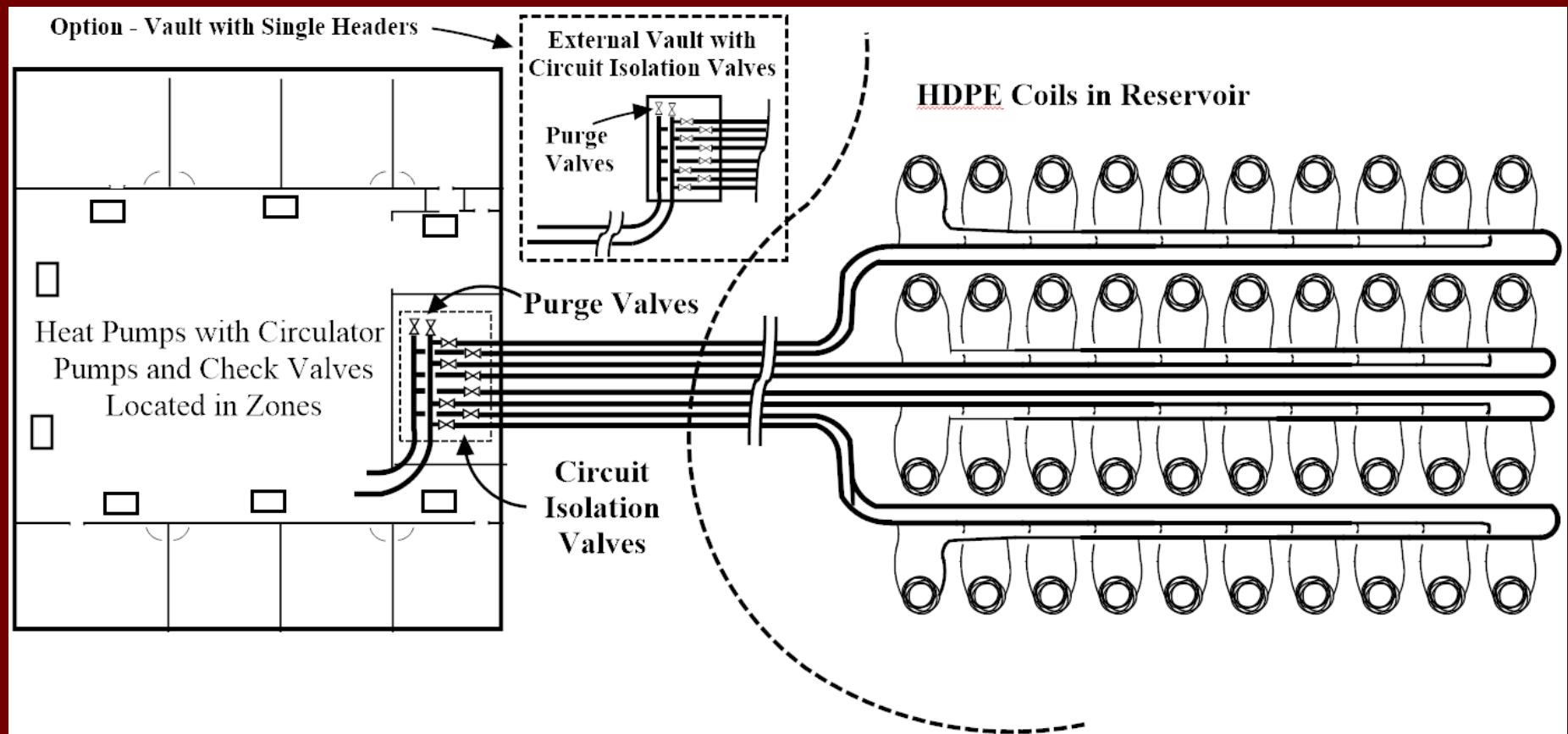
Lowest Average ENERGY STAR® Rating,
Highest Installation Costs,
Takes Advantage of Load Diversity,
Popular with Engineers New to GSHP Design



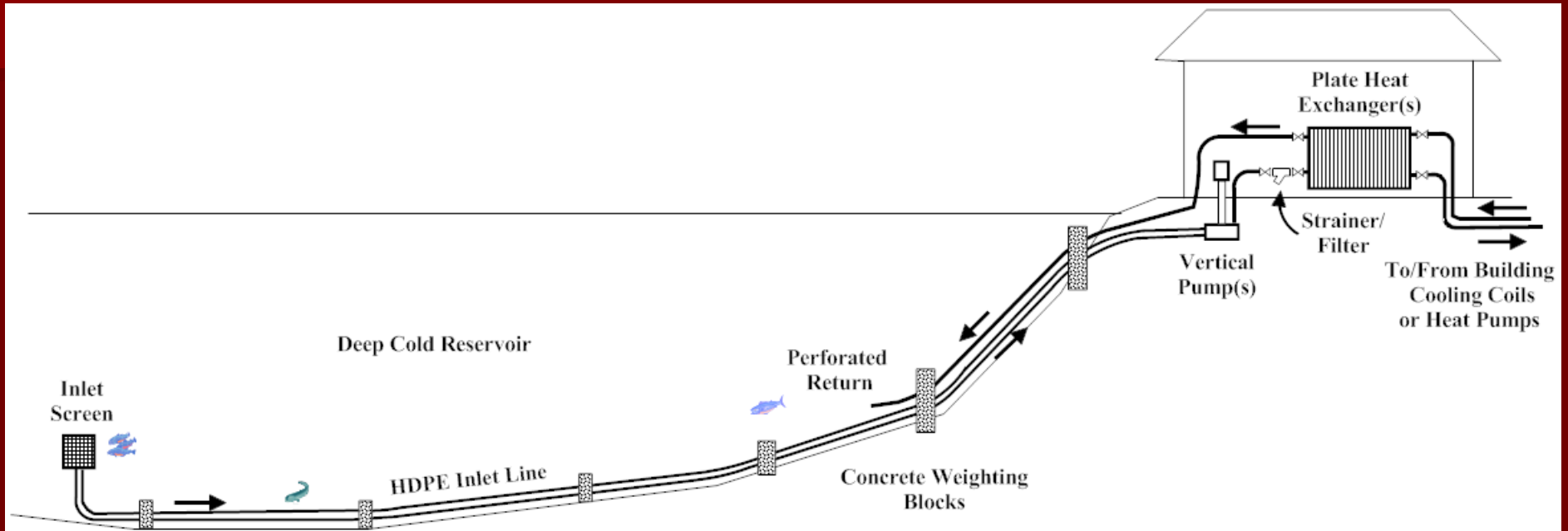
Buildings with Multiple Loop Options



Surface Water Heat Pumps (SWHPs) Common Loop with Equipment Room Manifold



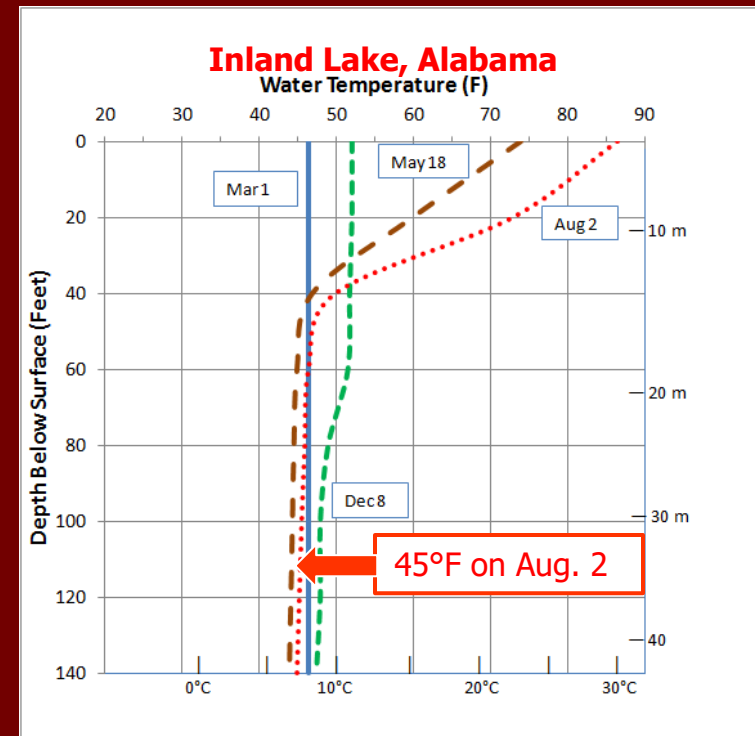
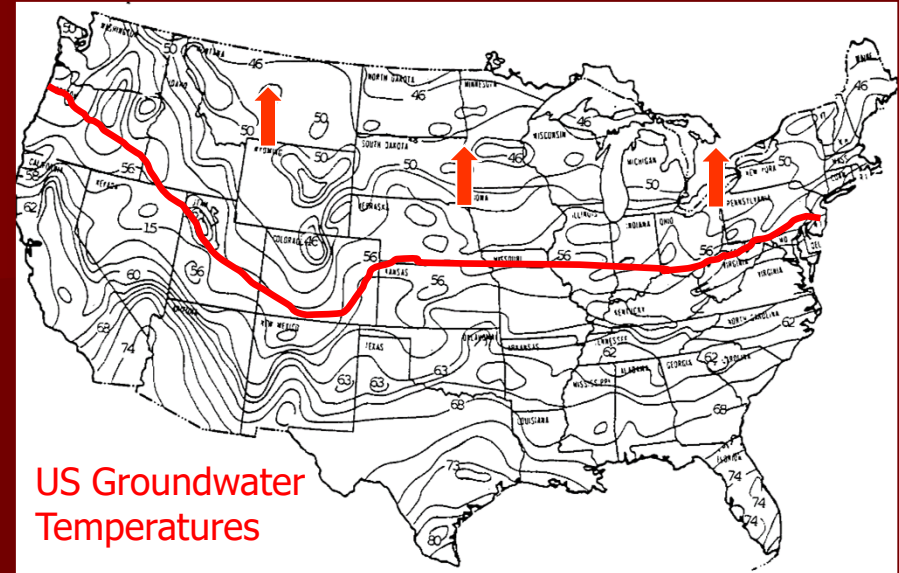
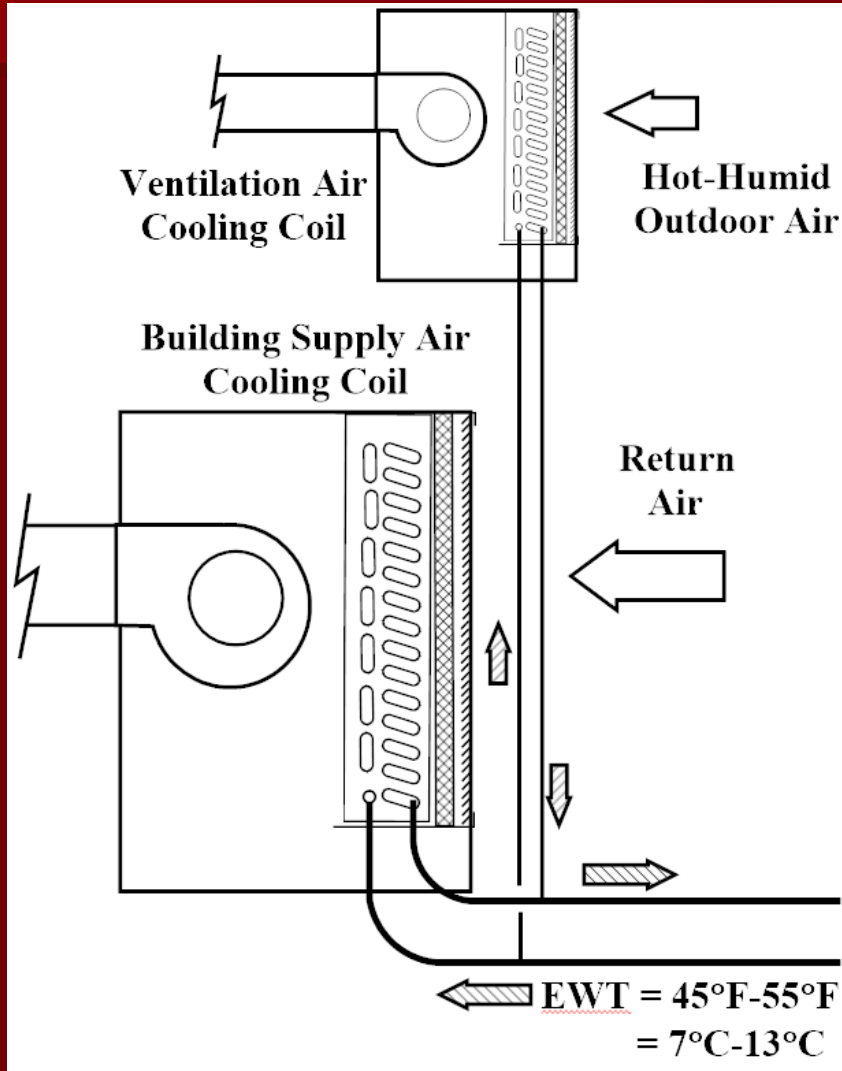
Open Loop Surface Water Direct Cooling (and Possibly Heat Pump Operation*)



* In heating for open loop surface water heat pumps:

- Coil Leaving Water Temperature (°F) \approx Entering Water Temp (°F) $- 18 \div \text{gpm/ton}$
- LWT must be 3°F to 5°F above 32°F to prevent frost on water coil
- Thus, minimum EWT must be at least 42°F to 44°F, which does not occur in many lakes.

Direct Cooling of Outside and Primary Air with Cold Water from Deep Reservoirs and Northern Ground Water



Preliminary Evaluation

Choosing the Optimum GSHP System

GSHP Site and HVAC System Evaluation

- GCHP: Size of building and site, regulations, estimated loop size, drilling depth, thermal property test
- Equipment Options: Water-to-air heat pumps, water-to-water heat pumps, chiller, hybrid-fluid cooler/cooling tower
- Distribution Options: Unitary forced air, fan coil units, air handlers with VAV, in-floor heat, chilled beam
- Efficiency and cost estimate of heat exchanger and equipment

Preliminary Ground-Coupled Heat Pump Considerations

- Regulations
- Size, type, and efficiency of building envelope and loads
- Size of ground loop site
- Geological and hydro-geological formation properties
- Economic drilling depths
- Thermal property test

Ground-Coupled Heat Pump Example Site Area Estimate for a 10,000 ft² (930 m²) Office

- Example cooling load (q_{lc}) 21 tons (73 kW)
- Local GCHP designs average around 220 ft/ton of vertical bore (L_{bore}/q) for offices
- Thus, the total bore estimate would be 4620 ft (1400 m)
- Local drillers are comfortable with bore depths (D_{bore}) of 300 ft (90 m)
- The number of bores (N_{bore}) will likely 16 (4620 ft \div 300 ft/bore = 15.4)
- Bores separation (S_{bore}) should be 20 ft (6 m)

$$\text{Site Area} \approx q_{lc} \times (L_{bore}/q) \times S_{bore}^2 \div D_{bore}$$
$$\text{Site Area} \approx 21 \text{ tons} \times 220 \text{ ft/ton} \times (20 \text{ ft})^2 \div 300 \text{ ft}$$
$$\approx 6160 \text{ ft}^2 \text{ (570 m}^2\text{/0.14 acre)}$$

Formation Properties and Drilling Conditions Abundant Info from State Geological Surveys

Well Logs

STATE OF OREGON
WATER SUPPLY WELL REPORT
(as required by ORS 537.705)

APR 6 1999
WELL I.D. # L 126856
START CARD # 108474

Instructions for completing this report are on the last page of this form.

SALEM, OREGON

(1) OWNER: Well Number _____
Name GARY WILLIAMS
Address 37716 McCARTIE LANE
City ROMANZA State OR Zip 97622

(2) TYPE OF WORK
 New Well Deepening Alteration (repair/recondition) Abandonment

(3) DRILL METHOD:
 Rotary Air Rotary Mud Cable Auger
 Other _____

(4) PROPOSED USE:
 Domestic Community Industrial Irrigation
 Thermal Injection Livestock Other _____

(5) BORE HOLE CONSTRUCTION:
Special Construction approval Yes No Depth of Completed Well 230' ft.
Explosives used Yes No Type _____ Amount _____

| HOLE | | | SEAL | | | |
|----------|------|-----|----------|------|-----|-----------------|
| Diameter | From | To | Material | From | To | Sacks or pounds |
| 10 | 0 | 119 | CENT& | 0 | | 29 SKS |
| | | | BENT. | | 119 | 7 SKS |
| 6 | 119 | 230 | OPEN | | | |

How was seal placed: Method A B C D E
 Other _____
Backfill placed from _____ ft. to _____ ft. Material _____
Gravel placed from _____ ft. to _____ ft. Size of gravel _____

(6) CASING/LINER:

| Diameter | From | To | Gauge | Steel | Plastic | Welded | Threaded |
|------------|------|-----|-------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Casing: 6" | +1 | 119 | 29 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Liner: | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Final location of shoe(s) NONE

(7) PERFORATIONS/SCREENS:
 Perforations Method NONE
 Screens Type _____ Material _____

| From | To | Slot size | Number | Diameter | Material | Tele/plys size | Casing | Liner |
|------|----|-----------|--------|----------|----------|----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | | | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

(8) WELL TESTS: Minimum testing time is 1 hour

| Yield gal/min | Drawdown | Air Drill stem at | Flowing Artesian Time |
|---------------|----------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 100 GPM | | 145 FT. | 1 hr. |

Temperature of water 65 F Depth Artesian Flow Found NONE
Was a water analysis done? Yes By whom _____
Did any strata contain water not suitable for intended use? Too little
 Salty Muddy Odor Colored Other _____
Depth of strata: NONE

(9) LOCATION OF WELL by legal description:
County KLAMATH Latitude _____ Longitude _____
Township 09 S N or S Range 12 E E or W. WM.
Section 7 SW 1/4 NE 1/4
Tax Lot 101 Lot _____ Block _____ Subdivision _____
Street Address of Well (or nearest address) 37309 McCARTIE LN
ROMANZA, OR 97622

(10) STATIC WATER LEVEL:
86 FT. ft. below land surface. Date 03-30-99
Artesian pressure _____ lb. per square inch. Date _____

(11) WATER BEARING ZONES:
Depth at which water was first found 98 FT.

| From | To | Estimated Flow Rate | SWL |
|------|-----|---------------------|-----|
| 98 | 230 | 200 GPM | 96 |

(12) WELL LOG:
Ground Elevation 4150

| Material | From | To | SWL |
|-----------------|------|-----|-----|
| TOP SOIL | 0 | 2 | |
| YELLOW CLAY | 2 | 10 | |
| BROWN SANDSTONE | 10 | 53 | |
| SOFT BROWN ROCK | 53 | 60 | |
| BROWN CLAY | 60 | 63 | |
| BLACK ROCK | 63 | 64 | |
| BROWN CLAY | 64 | 71 | |
| YELLOW CLAY | 71 | 83 | |
| GRAY CLAYSTONE | 83 | 98 | |
| BLACK ROCK (WB) | 98 | 137 | 86 |
| BROWN ROCK (WB) | 137 | 163 | 86 |
| BLACK ROCK (WB) | 163 | 185 | 86 |
| BROWN ROCK (WB) | 185 | 204 | 86 |
| BLACK ROCK (WB) | 204 | 226 | 86 |
| BROWN ROCK | 226 | 230 | 86 |

Date started 3-29-99 Completed 3-30-99
(unbonded) Water Well Constructor Certification:
I certify that the work I performed on the construction, alteration, or abandonment of this well is in compliance with Oregon water supply well construction standards. Materials used and information reported above are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Signed _____ WWC Number _____ Date _____

(bonded) Water Well Constructor Certification:
I accept responsibility for the construction, alteration, or abandonment work performed on this well during the construction dates reported above. All work performed during this time is in compliance with Oregon water supply well construction standards. This report is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Signed Stephen B. Hughes WWC Number 777 Date 4-2-99

ORIGINAL & FIRST COPY-WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT SECOND COPY-CONSTRUCTOR THIRD COPY-CUSTOMER

GSHP System Equipment and Distribution Options

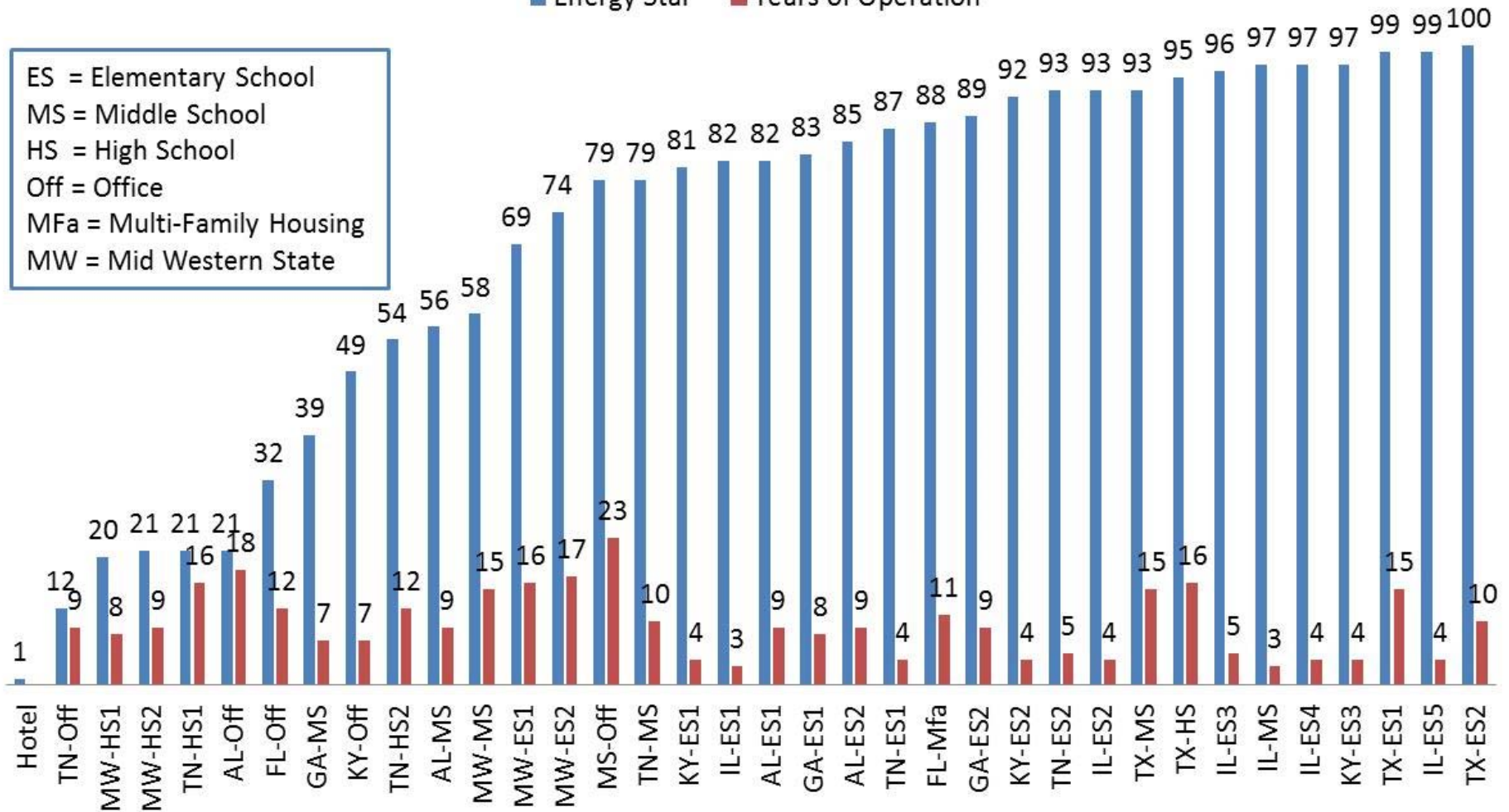
- **The HVAC system must be efficient in order for the GSHP to be efficient.**
- Systems with large amounts of fan and pump power will require much larger ground loops to dissipate the additional heat in the cooling mode.
- Systems with large amount of fan power will operate in heating much fewer hours and thus fail to remove sufficient heat from the ground loop to balance cooling heat rejection.
- The spreadsheet tool HVACSystemEff.xlsx is available to transpose equipment specifications (heat pumps, fans, pumps, etc.) to calculate **system efficiency** and ensure the GSHP system design will perform as advertised.

Long-Term GSHP Performance Survey

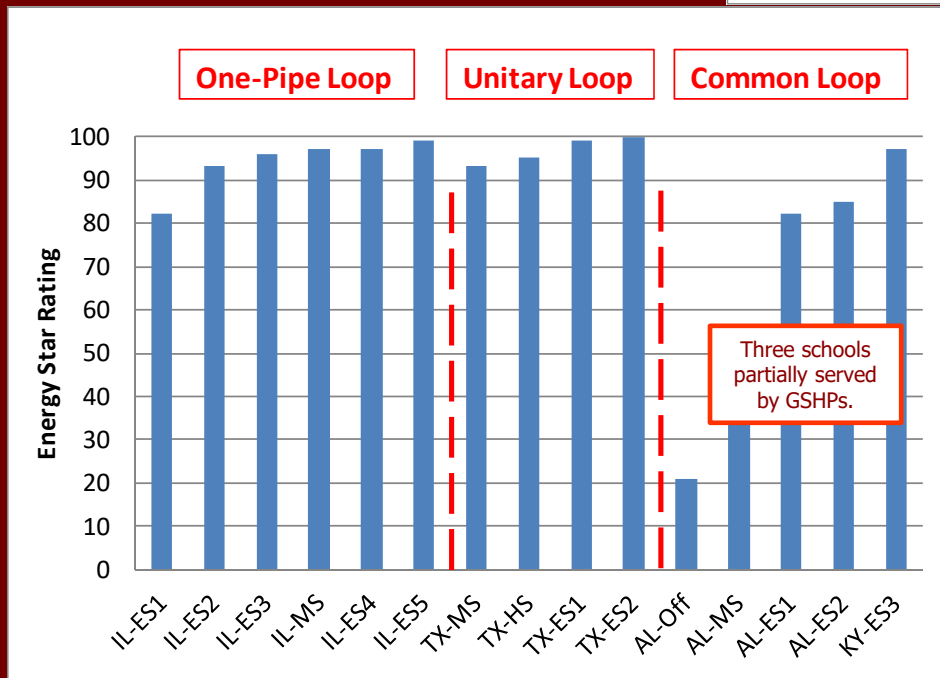
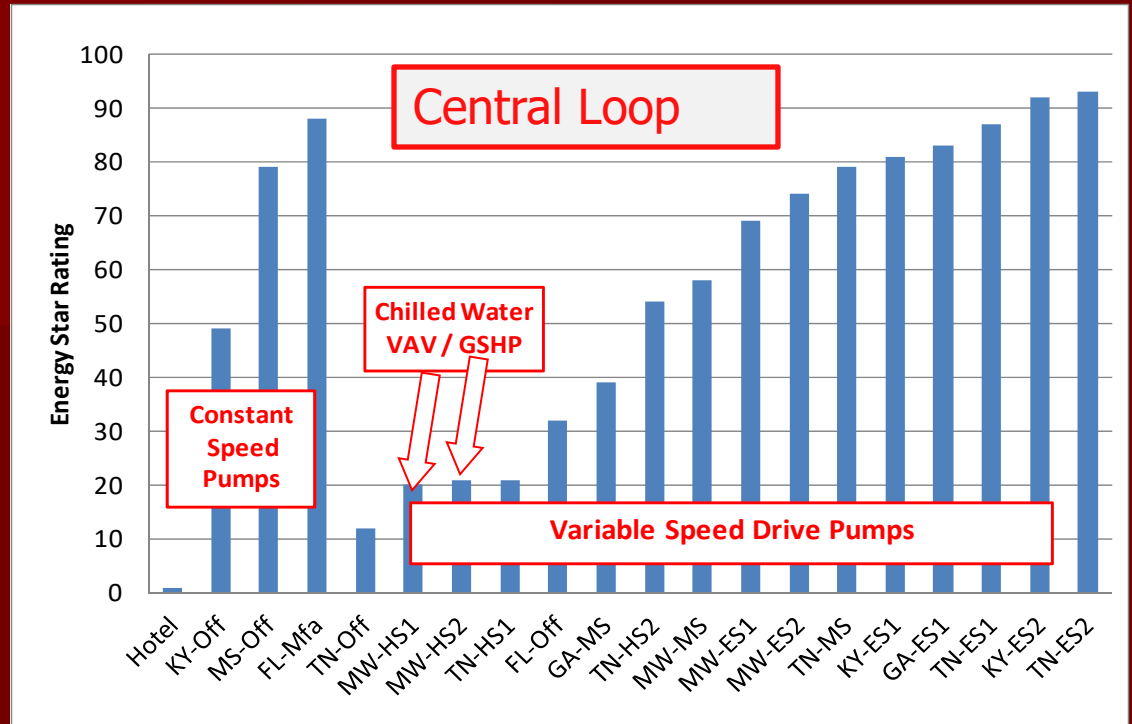
Energy Star Ratings and Years of Operation for GSHP Buildings

■ Energy Star ■ Years of Operation

ES = Elementary School
 MS = Middle School
 HS = High School
 Off = Office
 MFa = Multi-Family Housing
 MW = Mid Western State



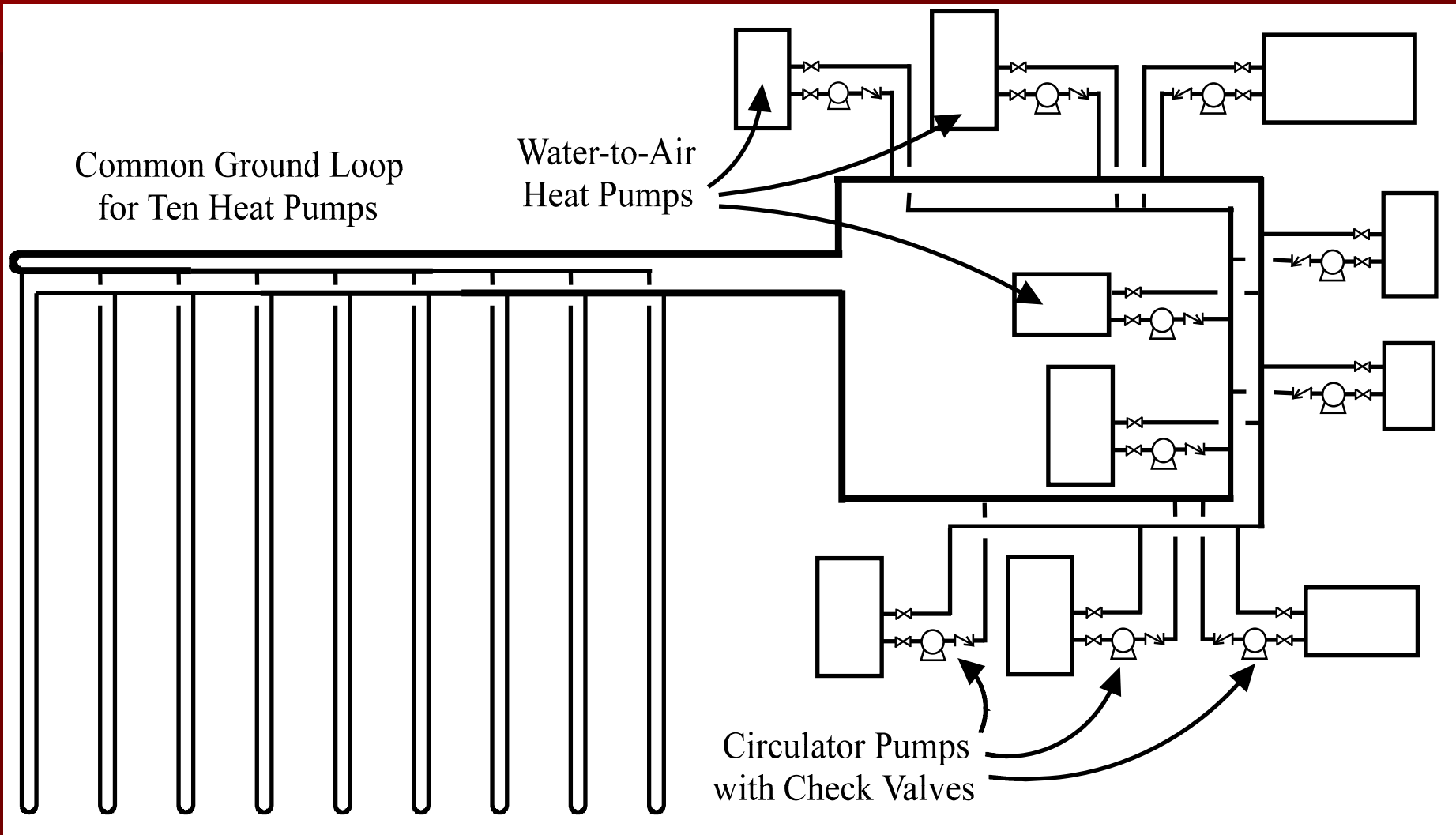
ENERGY STAR Rating and GCHP Loop Type



Performance Prediction

Heat Pump GSHP System Efficiency

Example 1: 200 WAHPs, 20 Common Loops



Common Loop GSHP System Efficiency

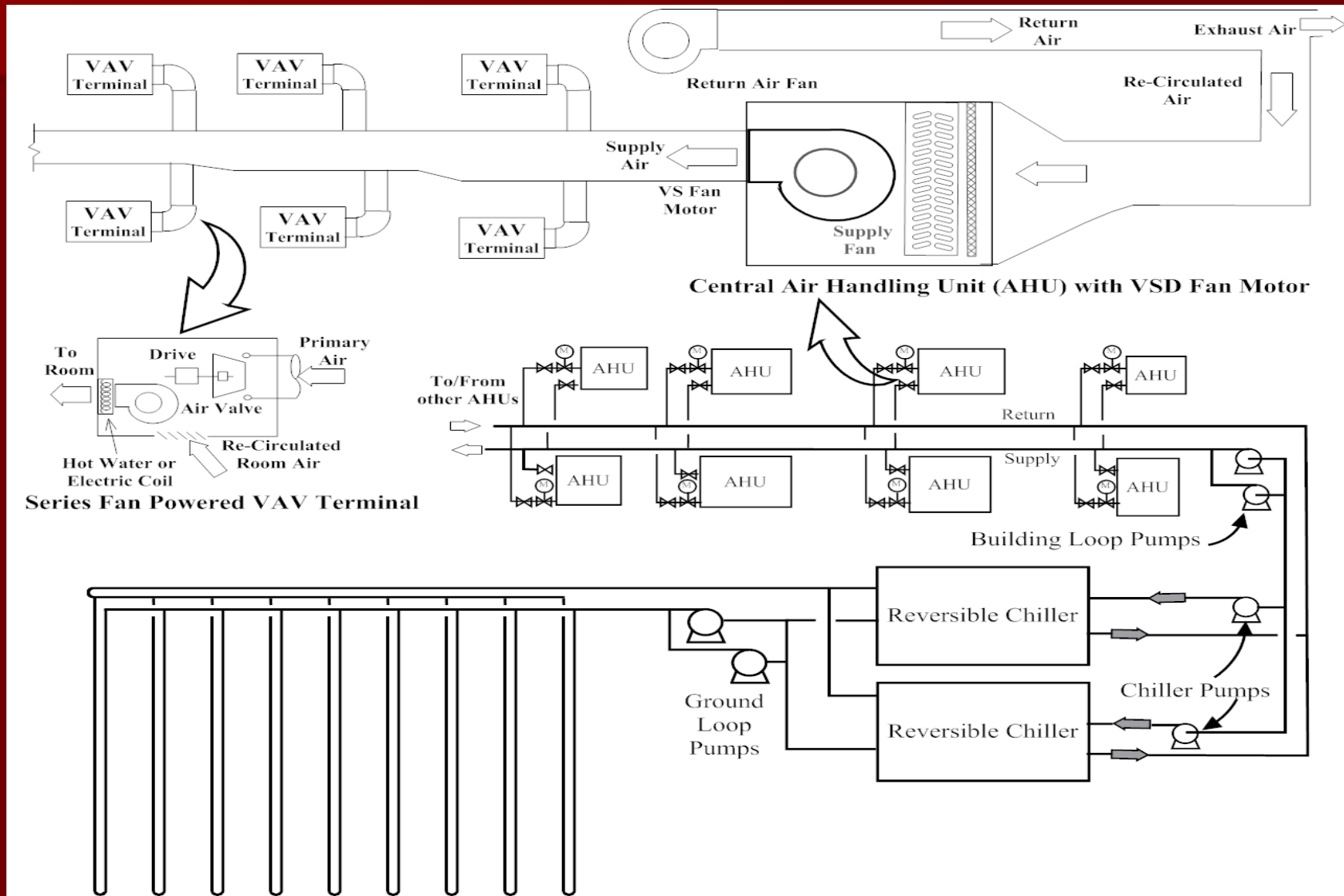
EER = 14.6 Btu/W·h (COP = 4.27)

| HVAC System Cooling Efficiency Calculator (Reference: <i>HVAC Simplified</i> , ASHRAE, 2006) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|--------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|---------|----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-------|
| | | Yellow Colored Cells for Input | | | | Do Not Type in Blue (Output) Cells | | | | | | |
| Item | Enter Chiller Data in Cells Below | | | OR | Enter AC/HP Data | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Chillers or Heat Pumps Click Here for Explanation | Qty. | kW/ton | Tons | Qty. | EER | kBtu/h | kW-each | kW-total | kBtu/h | tons | |
| | WC chillers based on CoLWT=95 F*, ChWLT=44 F* | | | | --- | 50 | 19.2 | 28.3 | 1.5 | 73.7 | 1415.0 | 117.9 |
| | AC chillers based on OAT = 95 F*, ChWLT = 44 F* | | | | --- | 100 | 19.6 | 34.5 | 1.8 | 176.0 | 3450.0 | 287.5 |
| | Enter EER at 95 F* (air source) or EER at 86 F* (WSHP) | | | | | 50 | 19.2 | 40.6 | 2.1 | 105.7 | 2030.0 | 169.2 |
| | *Enter ratings at non-standard conditions when appropriate. | | | | --- | | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 2a | Air Handling Unit Fans (≥ 1.0 hp) Click Here | Air Flow (cfm) | TP (in. wtr) | η fan (%) | η mtr. (%) | η VSD (%) | hp-each | --- | --- | --- | --- | |
| | Fan power added here if corrections not made to EER and capacity | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |
| 2b | DX Coil, Water Coil, or VAV Fans (< 1.0 hp) Click Here | Air Flow (cfm) | TP (in. wtr) | η wire-air (%) | OR hp-each | η mtr. (%) | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | |
| | Systems with Unitary ACs or Heat Pumps | 50 | 900 | 0.6 | 30.0% | | 0.28 | 0.21 | 10.6 | -36.1 | -3.0 | |
| | | 100 | 1200 | 0.7 | 30.0% | | 0.44 | 0.33 | 32.9 | -112.2 | -9.4 | |
| | | 50 | 1300 | 0.7 | 30.0% | | 0.48 | 0.36 | 17.8 | -60.8 | -5.1 | |
| 3 | Return Air Fans - Enter exhaust air % \rightarrow | 20% | Air Flow (cfm) | TP (in. wtr) | η fan (%) | η mtr. (%) | η VSD (%) | --- | --- | --- | --- | |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |
| 4 | Chilled Water Pumps | Wtr. Flow (gpm) | ΔH (ft. wtr) | η pump (%) | η mtr. (%) | η VSD (%) | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |
| 5 | Condenser or Ground Loop Water Pumps | Wtr. Flow (gpm) | ΔH (ft. wtr) | η pump (%) | η mtr. (%) | η VSD (%) | --- | --- | Click Here | | | |
| | | 50 | 8 | 30 | 50.0% | 50.0% | 100.0% | 0.12 | 0.18 | 9.0 | --- | |
| | | 100 | 9 | 30 | 50.0% | 50.0% | 100.0% | 0.14 | 0.20 | 20.3 | --- | |
| | | 50 | 11 | 30 | 50.0% | 50.0% | 100.0% | 0.17 | 0.25 | 12.4 | --- | |
| 6 | Condenser (or Fluid Cooler/Cooling Tower) Fan | 0 | Air Flow (cfm) | TP (in. wtr) | η fan (%) | η mtr. (%) | η VSD (%) | hp-each | --- | --- | --- | |
| | | 0 | --- | --- | --- | 75.0% | 100.0% | | 0.00 | 0.0 | --- | |
| | | | --- | --- | --- | | | | 0.00 | 0.0 | --- | |
| | | | --- | --- | --- | | | | 0.00 | 0.0 | --- | |
| | | | | | | | | | kW | kBtu/h | tons | |
| | | | | | | | | | System Totals | 458.6 | 6685.9 | 557.2 |
| | | | | | | | | | kW/ton : 0.82 | EER = 14.6 | Btu/W- COP = 4.27 | |
| | ASHRAE 90.1 check | Q (cfm) = | 230000 | Fan hp = | 82 | hp/1000cf | 0.36 | | | | | |

Performance Prediction

Chilled-Water VAV GSHP System Efficiency

Example 2: 2 WC-Chillers, 16 AHUs, Central Loop



CWVAV—Central Loop GSHP System Efficiency

EER = 7.8 Btu/W·h (COP = 2.28)

HVAC System Cooling Efficiency Calculator (Reference: *HVAC Simplified*, ASHRAE, 2006)

| | | Yellow Colored Cells for Input | | | | Do Not Type in Blue (Output) Cells | | | | | |
|---------------|--|--------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|------------|----------|--------|----------------------------|
| Item | Enter Chiller Data in Cells Below | OR | | | Enter AC/HP Data | | | | | | |
| | Qty. | kW/ton | Tons | | Qty. | EER | kBtu/h | kW-each | kW-total | kBtu/h | tons |
| 1 | Chillers or Heat Pumps Click Here for Explanation | | | | | | | | | | |
| | WC chillers based on CoLWT=95 F*, ChWLT=44 F* | 2 | 0.5 | 340 | --- | | | 170.0 | 340.0 | 8160.0 | 680.0 |
| | AC chillers based on OAT = 95 F*, ChWLT = 44 F* | | | | --- | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | Enter EER at 95 F* (air source) or EER at 86 F* (WSHP) | | | | | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | *Enter ratings at non-standard conditions when appropriate. | | | | --- | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 2a | Air Handling Unit Fans (≥ 1.0 hp) Click Here | Air Flow (cfm) | TP (in. wtr) | η fan (%) | η mtr. (%) | η VSD (%) | hp-each | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | | 4 | 40000 | 5 | 75.0% | 93.0% | 41.99 | 34.37 | 137.5 | -469.1 | -39.1 |
| | | 4 | 20000 | 4 | 75.0% | 92.0% | 16.80 | 13.90 | 55.6 | -189.7 | -15.8 |
| | | 8 | 4000 | 2 | 70.0% | 88.0% | 1.80 | 1.56 | 12.5 | -42.5 | -3.5 |
| 2b | DX Coil, Water Coil, or VAV Fans (<1.0 hp) Click Here Systems with Unitary ACs or Heat Pumps | Air Flow (cfm) | TP (in. wtr) | η wire-air (%) | OR hp-each | η mtr. (%) | | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | | 50 | 1600 | 0.5 | 30.0% | | 0.42 | 0.31 | 15.7 | -53.4 | -4.5 |
| | | 120 | 1200 | 0.5 | 28.0% | | 0.34 | 0.25 | 30.2 | -103.1 | -8.6 |
| | | 60 | 800 | 0.5 | 25.0% | | 0.25 | 0.19 | 11.3 | -38.5 | -3.2 |
| 3 | Return Air Fans - Enter exhaust air % $\rightarrow\rightarrow\rightarrow$ | 20% | Air Flow (cfm) | TP (in. wtr) | η fan (%) | η mtr. (%) | η VSD (%) | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | | 8 | 34000 | 2.5 | 75.0% | 92.0% | 97.0% | 17.85 | 14.92 | 119.4 | -325.8 |
| | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 4 | Chilled Water Pumps | Wtr. Flow (gpm) | Δ H (ft. wtr) | η pump (%) | η mtr. (%) | η VSD (%) | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | | 2 | 825 | 100 | 70.0% | 90.0% | 97.0% | 29.76 | 25.43 | 50.9 | -173.5 |
| | | 2 | 825 | 50 | 70.0% | 90.0% | 97.0% | 14.88 | 12.72 | 25.4 | -86.8 |
| | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 5 | Condenser or Ground Loop Water Pumps | Wtr. Flow (gpm) | Δ H (ft. wtr) | η pump (%) | η mtr. (%) | η VSD (%) | --- | --- | | | Click Here |
| | | 2 | 1000 | 100 | 70.0% | 90.0% | 97.0% | 36.08 | 30.83 | 61.7 | --- |
| | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | --- |
| | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | --- |
| 6 | Condenser (or Fluid Cooler/Cooling Tower) Fan | 0 | Air Flow (cfm) | TP (in. wtr) | η fan (%) | η mtr. (%) | η VSD (%) | hp-each | --- | --- | --- |
| | | 0 | --- | --- | --- | 75.0% | 100.0% | | 0.00 | 0.0 | --- |
| | | | --- | --- | --- | | | | 0.00 | 0.0 | --- |
| | | | --- | --- | --- | | | | 0.00 | 0.0 | --- |
| | | | | | | | | kW | kBtu/h | tons | |
| System Totals | | | | | | | | 860.0 | 6677.6 | 556.5 | |
| | | kW/ton : 1.55 | | EER = 7.8 | | Btu/W-h | | COP = 2.28 | | | |

GSHP Costs: 1995 to 2011

- The average ground heat exchanger cost in the recent survey was 26% of total GSHP cost and increased by 50% (3% per year) since 1995
- The average HVAC cost in the recent survey was 74% of the total GSHP system cost and has increased by 177% (11% per year) since 1995
- Using logic (an important tool for engineering), cost optimization should include, and possibly concentrate, on the HVAC component of GSHPs

GSHP Cost Versus Performance

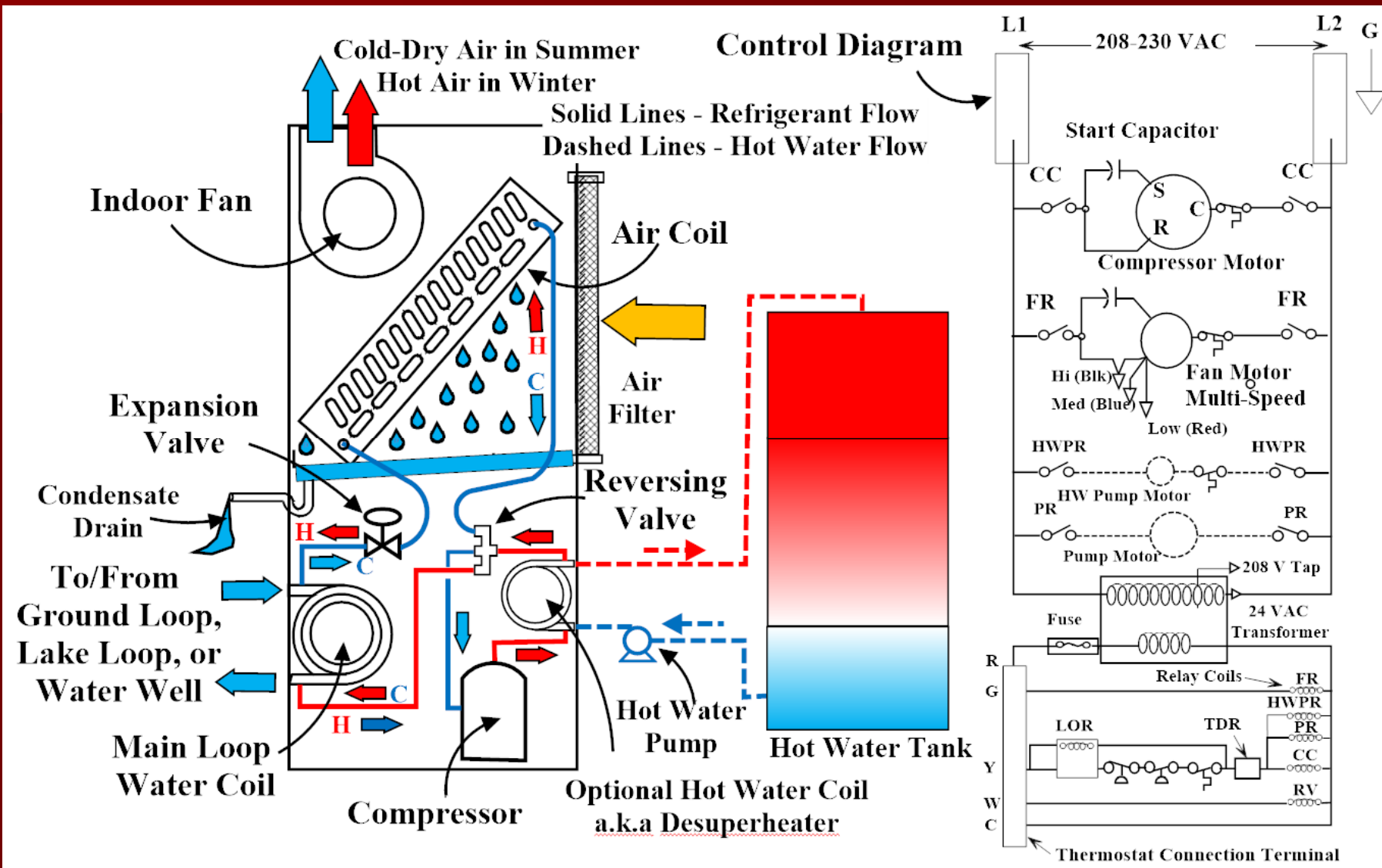
- Open access to cost information (operating, HVAC components, and ground loops) is critical
- Currently, this information is limited and typically not reported (why not do it—isn't that hard)
- ENERGY STAR rating is simple indicator of *system* performance with reasonable accuracy
- ASHRAE Standard 90.1-2016 compliance is likely a poor predictor of performance because it deals with just the parts and not the whole *system*
- Quality engineering practice can often reduce both installation and operating cost via **KISS**

Questions?
Comments?

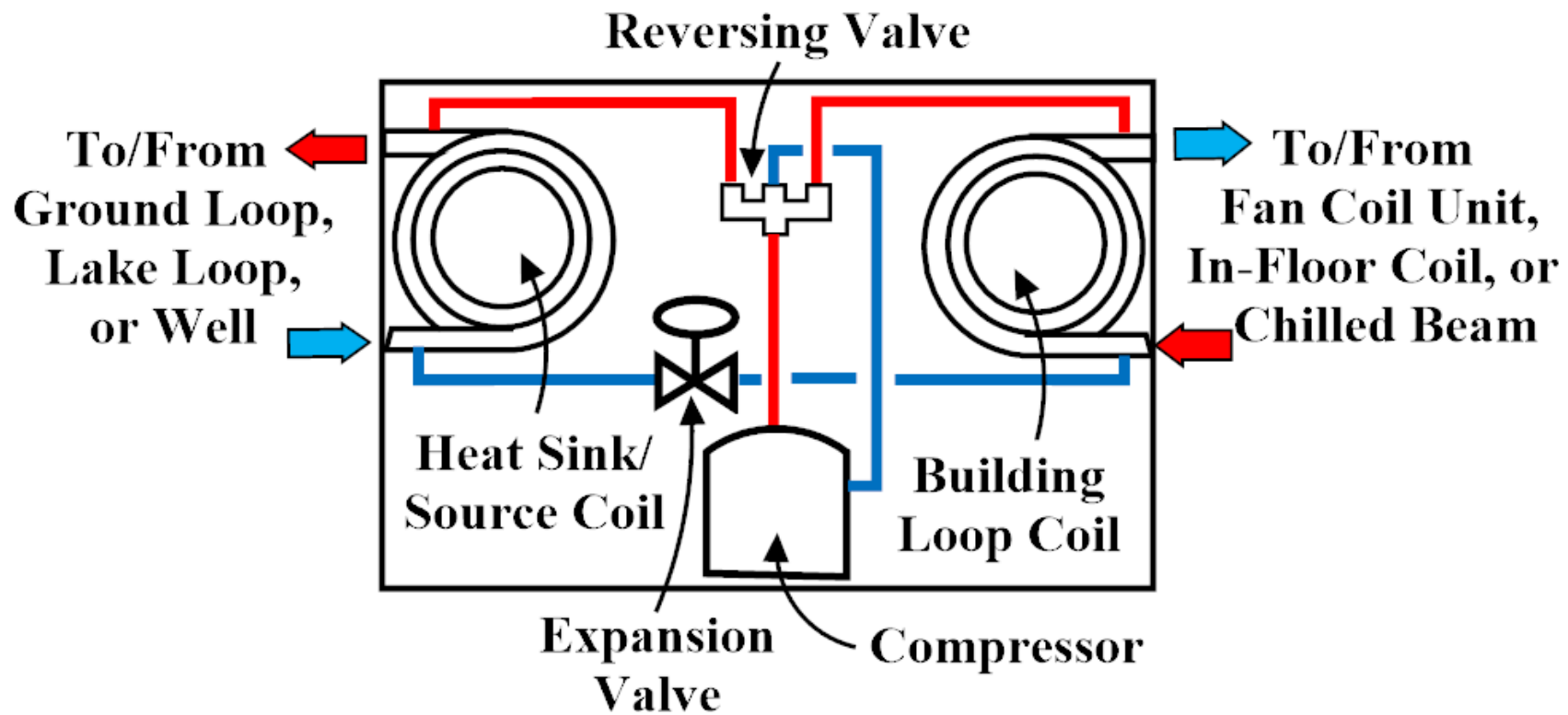
Session 2

EQUIPMENT FOR GROUND-SOURCE APPLICATIONS

Water-to-Air Heat Pump Circuit and Controls

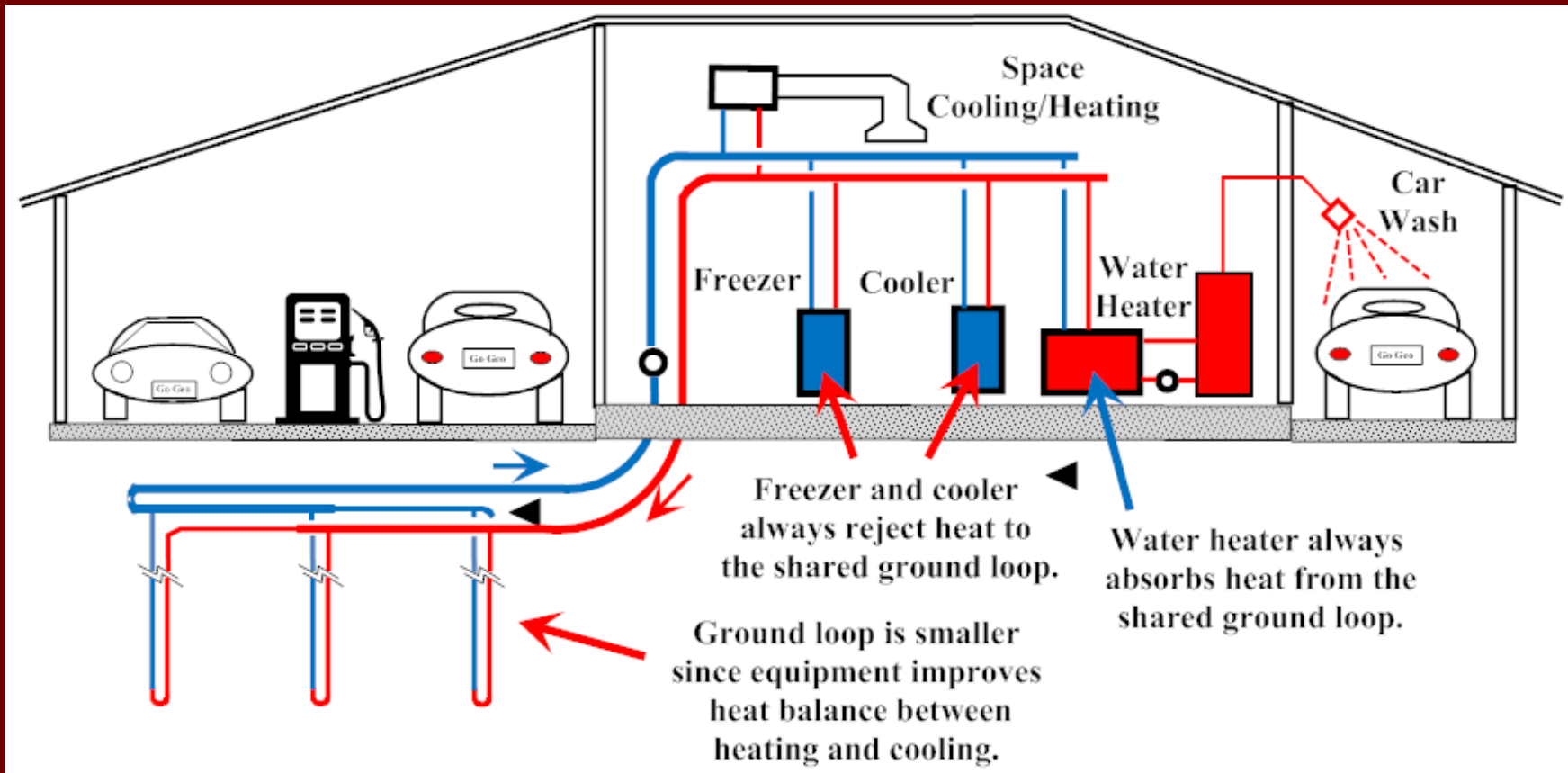


Water-to-Water Heat Pump Circuit



Water-to-Water Heat Pump

Convenience Store Application with Heating and Cooling Requirements



Heat Pump Types (with Pictures)



Well-Located Heat Pumps



Heat Pumps for Larger Spaces



Easy to Service Heat Pumps



Poorly Located Heat Pumps



Water-to-Water Heat Pumps



Hard to Service Heat Pumps

Revenge of the Overextended Service Tech (after the Fan Motor Burned Out the Second Time)



Happy Service Techs and Supervisor: Removable Classroom WHP Refrigerant Circuit



Table 2.1 ISO 13256-1 Rating Conditions for Water-to-Air Heat Pumps

| Entering Liquid & Air Temperatures | WLHP Water Loop | GWHP Groundwater | GLHP Ground Loop | GLHP-PL (Part-Load) |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| ELT - Cooling Exterior Loop | 86°F (30°C) | 59°F (15°C) | 77°F (25°C) | 68°F (20°C) |
| ELT - Heating Exterior Loop | 68°F (20°C) | 50°F (10°C) | 32°F (0°C) | 41°F (5°C) |
| EAT - Cooling Dry bulb/wet bulb | 80.6/66.2°F (27/19°C) | | | |
| EAT - Heating | 68°F (20°C) | | | |

Note: Values for TC, EER, HC and COP do not include fan power or pump required to circulate air and water through the air distribution system and piping loop. Values for TC do not include the loss of capacity due to the heat of the fan. The power to circulate air and water through unit itself is included in the calculation.

Table 2.2 ISO 13256-2 Rating Conditions for Water-to-Water Heat Pumps

| Entering Liquid | WLHP | GWHP | GLHP | GLHP-PL |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Temperatures | Water Loop | Groundwater | Ground Loop | (Part-Load) |
| ELT - Cooling Exterior Loop | 86°F (30°C) | 59°F (15°C) | 77°F (25°C) | 68°F (20°C) |
| ELT - Heating Exterior Loop | 68°F (20°C) | 50°F (10°C) | 32°F (0°C) | 41°F (5°C) |
| ELT - Cooling Interior Loop | 53.6°F (12°C) | | | |
| ELT - Heating Interior Loop | 104°F (40°C) | | | |

Note: Values for TC, EER, HC and COP do not include pump power required to circulate water through the exterior and interior piping loops. Likewise the fan power of terminal units (fan coil units, air handling units) is not included. Values for TC do not include the loss of capacity due to the interior piping loop pump heat or air terminal unit fan heat.

Note the ELT in heating is 104°F (40°C). Thus, LLT would be approximately 114°F (46°C), and both heating capacity and COP should be corrected if coils are specified for higher (or lower) temperatures. In cooling, the ELT of 53.6°F (12°C) and resulting LLT of approximately 43.6°F (6°C) are nearly the same as standard values used for chilled-water coils (54°/44°F).

Engineers, Activate Your BS Detectors

Variable-Speed Heat Pumps are Only More Efficient when Loop Temperatures are Mild and Air and Water Flows are Very High

| | | | | Single Speed Water-to-Air Heat Pumps | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----|------|------|-----|--------------------------------------|------|----------------|-----|------------------------|------|----------------|-----|-----------------------|------|---------------|-----|
| | | | | Water Loop Heat Pump | | | | Ground Water Heat Pump | | | | Ground Loop Heat Pump | | | |
| | | | | Clg - 86°F ELT | | Htg - 68°F ELT | | Clg - 59°F ELT | | Htg - 50°F ELT | | Clg-77°F (FL) | | Htg-32°F (FL) | |
| Mod | Load | cfm | gpm | TC | EER | HC | COP | TC | EER | HC | COP | TC | EER | HC | COP |
| 15 | Full | 500 | 4 | 14.4 | 16.5 | 18.5 | 5.3 | 16.7 | 27.0 | 15.5 | 4.7 | 15.0 | 18.1 | 12.0 | 4.0 |
| 18 | Full | 600 | 5 | 18.0 | 16.5 | 23.0 | 5.3 | 21.0 | 26.8 | 19.0 | 4.7 | 18.5 | 19.0 | 14.7 | 4.1 |
| 22 | Full | 850 | 8 | 20.7 | 17.5 | 25.3 | 6.2 | 23.5 | 30.0 | 19.8 | 5.3 | 21.7 | 21.0 | 15.0 | 4.0 |
| 30 | Full | 900 | 8 | 28.3 | 19.2 | 32.7 | 5.8 | 31.3 | 28.8 | 25.8 | 5.0 | 29.4 | 21.9 | 20.0 | 4.0 |
| 36 | Full | 1200 | 9 | 34.5 | 19.6 | 38.0 | 6.1 | 37.2 | 30.1 | 30.3 | 5.2 | 35.0 | 22.0 | 24.1 | 4.4 |
| 42 | Full | 1300 | 11 | 40.6 | 19.2 | 44.1 | 5.9 | 45.2 | 29.5 | 34.9 | 5.2 | 42.0 | 21.4 | 27.5 | 4.2 |
| 48 | Full | 1500 | 12 | 47.0 | 17.5 | 55.4 | 5.5 | 52.0 | 26.1 | 45.1 | 4.8 | 49.3 | 19.7 | 35.3 | 4.0 |
| 60 | Full | 1800 | 15 | 64.3 | 17.2 | 69.8 | 5.4 | 72.0 | 26.1 | 55.1 | 4.7 | 66.8 | 19.5 | 43.3 | 3.9 |
| 70 | Full | 2000 | 18 | 70.6 | 16.0 | 84.3 | 5.1 | 79.1 | 23.8 | 66.1 | 4.4 | 73.2 | 18.2 | 52.0 | 3.7 |

| | | cfm | 10 gpm/ton | 0.9 tons | Variable Speed Water-to-Air Heat Pumps | | | | | | | | Compressor Overspeed | | | |
|----|------|------|------------|----------|---|------|------|-----|------|------|------|-----|----------------------|---------------|------|-----|
| | | Clg. | Htg. | | WLHP & GWHP Part-Load (PL) ELTs = Full-Load (FL) ELTs | | | | | | | | Clg-68°F (PL) | Htg-32°F (PL) | | |
| 36 | Full | 1300 | 1500 | 9 | 32.0 | 18.0 | 50.0 | 5.3 | 38.0 | 31.5 | 41.0 | 4.6 | 36.0 | 22.0 | 32.0 | 3.5 |
| 36 | Part | 1300 | 1500 | 9 | 11.0 | 21.0 | 17.0 | 7.5 | 13.0 | 47.2 | 14.0 | 5.9 | 14.0 | 37.0 | 13.0 | 5.3 |
| 48 | Full | 1500 | 1800 | 12 | 41.0 | 17.6 | 67.0 | 5.0 | 49.0 | 31.7 | 55.0 | 4.3 | 46.0 | 21.7 | 43.0 | 3.6 |
| 48 | Part | 1500 | 1800 | 12 | 16.0 | 22.5 | 24.0 | 7.6 | 19.2 | 53.2 | 19.0 | 5.9 | 19.0 | 41.0 | 16.0 | 5.3 |
| 60 | Full | 1800 | 2200 | 15 | 50.0 | 16.3 | 78.0 | 4.8 | 60.0 | 28.6 | 65.0 | 4.3 | 56.0 | 19.4 | 51.0 | 3.5 |
| 60 | Part | 1800 | 2200 | 15 | 20.0 | 21.7 | 29.0 | 7.5 | 23.2 | 45.8 | 23.0 | 6.0 | 23.0 | 36.0 | 20.0 | 5.1 |

Cooling EAT=80.6°F (db)/66.2°F (wb), Heating EAT= 68°F (db), TC & HC in Btu/h × 1000, EER in Btu/W-h, COP in W/W

Converting Full Load Rated Performance* to Actual Performance—Three Options

- Long way: Lots of manual calculation
- Short cut: Single point correction**—Less accurate
 - Multiply rated TC by 0.93
 - Multiply rated EER by 0.80
 - Multiply rated HC by 1.03
 - Multiply rated COP by 0.89
- Spreadsheet software: Faster and more accurate

*Corrections for part-load operation not possible because rated part-load airflow rates are typically too high to extrapolate down to useful values.

**Correct from rated conditions to EAT (db/wb) from 80.6°/66.2°F to 75°/63°F (24°/17°C) and ESP from 0.0 in. w.g. to 0.5 in. w.g. (125 Pa)

Another Tool

WAHP Performance Correction Spreadsheet

Rated Performance

| | | | | | |
|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|
| HC32 | COP32 | HC50 | COP50 | HC68 | COP68 |
| 43.3 | 3.9 | 55.1 | 4.7 | 69.8 | 5.4 |

| | | | | | | | | |
|-----|------|------|-------|------|------|-------|------|-------|
| gpm | cfm | TC59 | EER59 | TC77 | SC77 | EER77 | TC86 | EER86 |
| 15 | 1800 | 72.0 | 26.1 | 66.8 | | 19.5 | 64.3 | 17.2 |

Corrected Performance (includes fan and pump power, fan heat)

| GLHP Rated Performance | | Operating Conditions | | | Corrected Capacity, Power, EER and COP | | | |
|------------------------|--------|----------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|--|---------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Model# | ECM-60 | | ELTClg | 80.0 | °F | | Pump(s) not Included | Pump(s) Included |
| TC-77°F | 66.8 | kBtu/h | ELTHtg | 43.0 | °F | TC | 61.6 | 61.6 |
| SC-77°F | 0 | kBtu/h | EATdbClg | 75.0 | °F | SC_Est | 41.6 | 41.6 |
| EER-77°F | 19.5 | Btu/W-h | EATwbClg | 63.0 | °F | SHR | 0.68 | 0.68 |
| HC-32°F | 43.3 | kBtu/h | EATHtg | 70.0 | °F | EERnoCF | 18.7 | |
| COP-32°F | 3.9 | W/W | Actgpm | 15.0 | gpm | kWc | 4.02 | 4.40 |
| WtrFlow | 15.0 | gpm | Actcfm | 1800 | cfm | EER | 15.3 | 14.0 |
| AirFlow | 1800 | cfm | Fan Power and Heat Correction*** | | | HC | 52.0 | 52.0 |
| GpmPTonR | 2.7 | | FanMotor | ECMwFCBlade | | COPnoCf | 4.39 | |
| CfmPTonR | 323 | | ESP | 0.5 | in. water | kWh | 3.95 | 4.34 |
| GpmPTonA | 2.7 | | FilterLoss | 0.3 | in. water | COP | 3.85 | 3.51 |
| | | | WAEff | 30% | | | | |
| | | | kWFan | 0.51 | kW | Optional Pump Power | | |
| | | | FanHeat | 1.7 | kBtu/h | kWpump | 0.385 | kW |

Water-to-Water Heat Pump Performance (I-P)

Based on 53.6°F (12°C) for Cooling and 104°F (40°C) for Heating
Building Loop Entering Liquid Temperatures (ELTs)

| | | Water-to-Water Heat Pumps | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----|-----|---------------------------|-------|----------------------|-----|----------------|-----|------------------------|-----|----------------|-----|-----------------------|-----|---------------|--|
| | | Liquid flows | | Water Loop Heat Pump | | | | Ground Water Heat Pump | | | | Ground Loop Heat Pump | | | |
| | | Source | Bldg. | Clg - 86°F ELT | | Htg - 68°F ELT | | Clg - 59°F ELT | | Htg - 50°F ELT | | Clg-77°F (FL) | | Htg-32°F (FL) | |
| Mod | gpm | gpm | TC | EER | HC | COP | TC | EER | HC | COP | TC | EER | HC | COP | |
| 96 | 23 | 23 | 93 | 14.6 | 125 | 4.0 | 105 | 22.0 | 103 | 3.3 | 100 | 16.8 | 82 | 2.8 | |
| 108 | 28 | 28 | 103 | 14.0 | 142 | 4.0 | 123 | 21.6 | 118 | 3.3 | 114 | 16.2 | 93 | 3.0 | |
| 120 | 32 | 32 | 128 | 13.8 | 175 | 3.8 | 151 | 21.0 | 145 | 3.2 | 139 | 16.0 | 115 | 2.8 | |
| 140 | 36 | 36 | 143 | 14.5 | 193 | 4.2 | 166 | 22.5 | 160 | 3.8 | 155 | 17.0 | 127 | 3.1 | |
| 180 | 45 | 45 | 170 | 14.0 | 209 | 3.9 | 183 | 20.0 | 189 | 3.5 | 177 | 15.8 | 153 | 2.8 | |
| 210 | 52 | 52 | 202 | 14.8 | 257 | 4.2 | 227 | 21.8 | 219 | 3.8 | 212 | 17.0 | 173 | 3.1 | |
| 240 | 60 | 60 | 222 | 13.3 | 286 | 3.9 | 257 | 20.0 | 244 | 3.5 | 242 | 15.5 | 193 | 2.8 | |
| 360 | 86 | 86 | 335 | 14.3 | 453 | 4.3 | na | na | na | na | 351 | 16.2 | 297 | 3.2 | |
| 540 | 135 | 135 | 533 | 15.2 | 691 | 4.3 | na | na | na | na | 559 | 16.4 | 486 | 3.3 | |

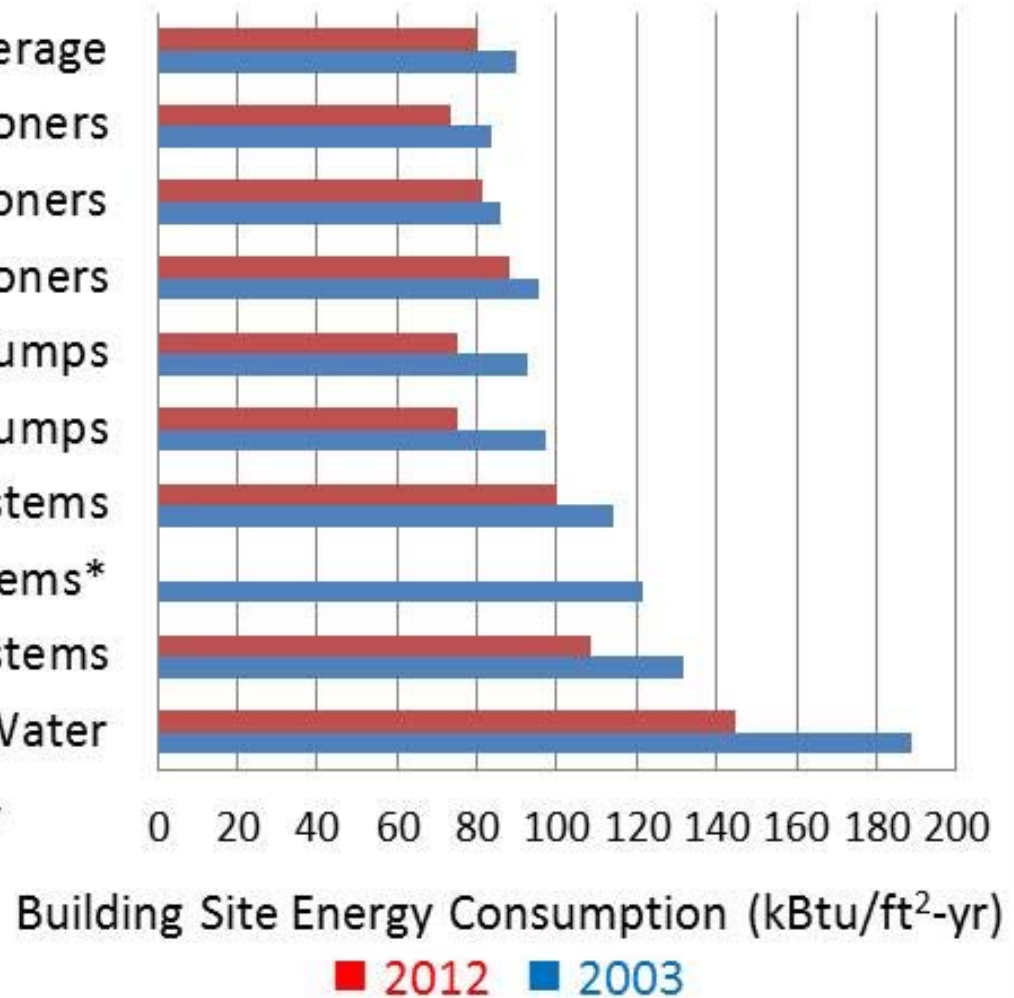
Bldg. Loop: Cooling ELT=53.6°F, Heating ELT= 104°F. TC & HC in Btu/h × 1000, EER in Btu/W-h, COP in W/W

| Correction Factors from Rated Heating Capacity and COP for Other Building Loop ELTs | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
| ELT = 90°F(32°C) | | ELT = 100°F(38°C) | | ELT = 110°F(43°C) | | ELT = 120°F(49°C) | |
| HC | COP | HC | COP | HC | COP | HC | COP |
| 1.04 | 1.20 | 1.01 | 1.04 | 0.98 | 0.94 | 0.95 | 0.83 |

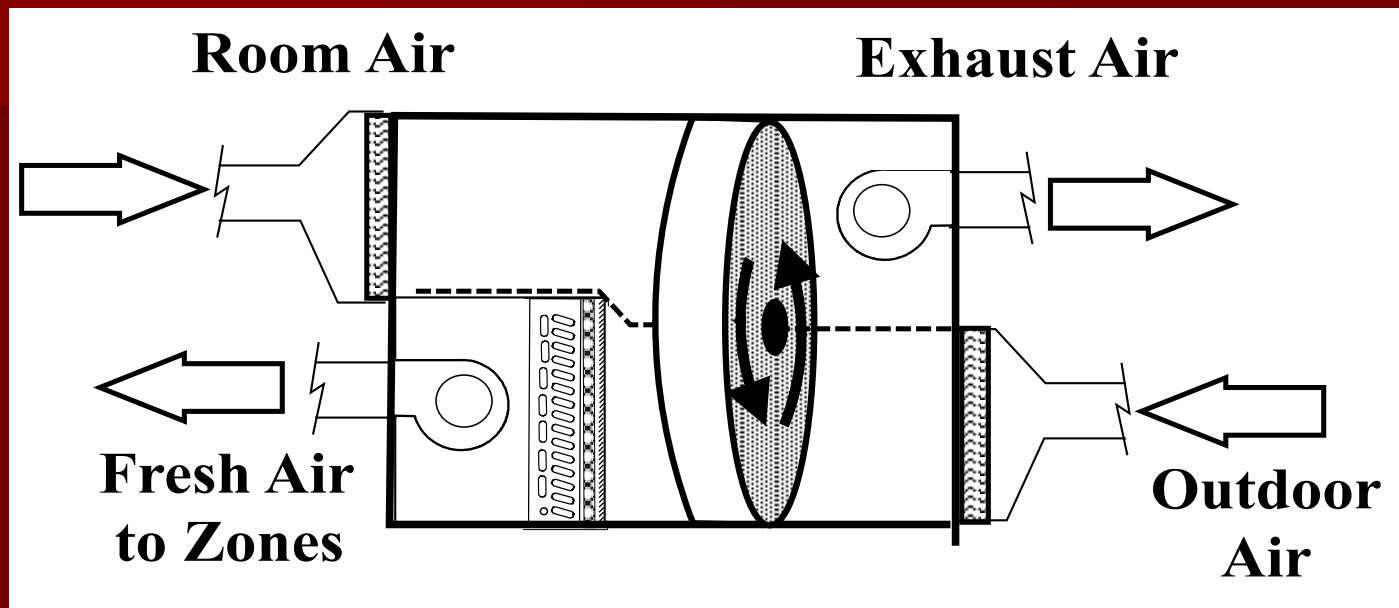
EIA/DOE Commercial Building Energy Consumption Survey (CBECS)—2003 and 2012

All Commercial Buildings Average
Unitary Air Conditioners
Individual Room Air-Conditioners
Packaged Air-Conditioners
Heat Pumps
Packaged Heat Pumps
Energy Mgmt/Control Systems
Variable Air Volume Systems*
Central Chilled Water Systems
District Chilled Water

*Not reported in 2012 Survey

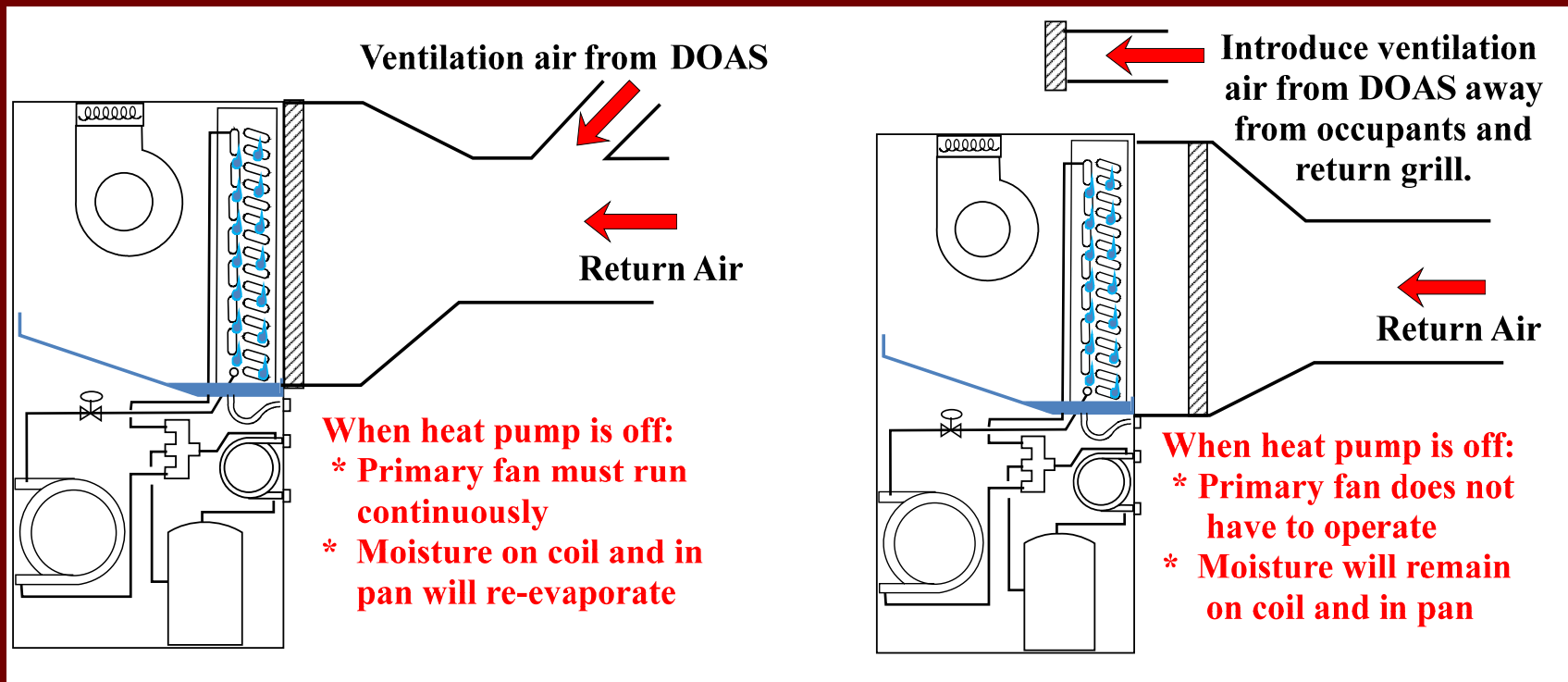


Energy Recovery Unit: An Effective GSHP Loop Reduction Device



But ERUs tend to be more effective in reducing heating requirements than cooling (larger ΔT s and added fan heat). Thus, the annual heat imbalance is further aggravated in applications with equal or greater cooling requirements compared to heating.

Zone Ventilation Air Delivery Options and Issues with Unitary Heat Pumps



Questions?

Comments?

Session 3

APPLIED GCHP DESIGN

Basic Equations

$$q_{cond}/q_{lc} = \frac{EER + 3.412}{EER} = \frac{COP_c + 1.0}{COP_c}$$

$$q_{evap}/q_{lh} = \frac{COP_h - 1}{COP_h}$$

$$q_a = \frac{q_{cond} \times EFLH_c + q_{evap} \times EFLH_h}{8760}$$

The condensing heat rate (q_{cond}) is the heat removed from the building (cooling load = q_{lc}) plus the heat of compression, and is the amount rejected to the ground in cooling.

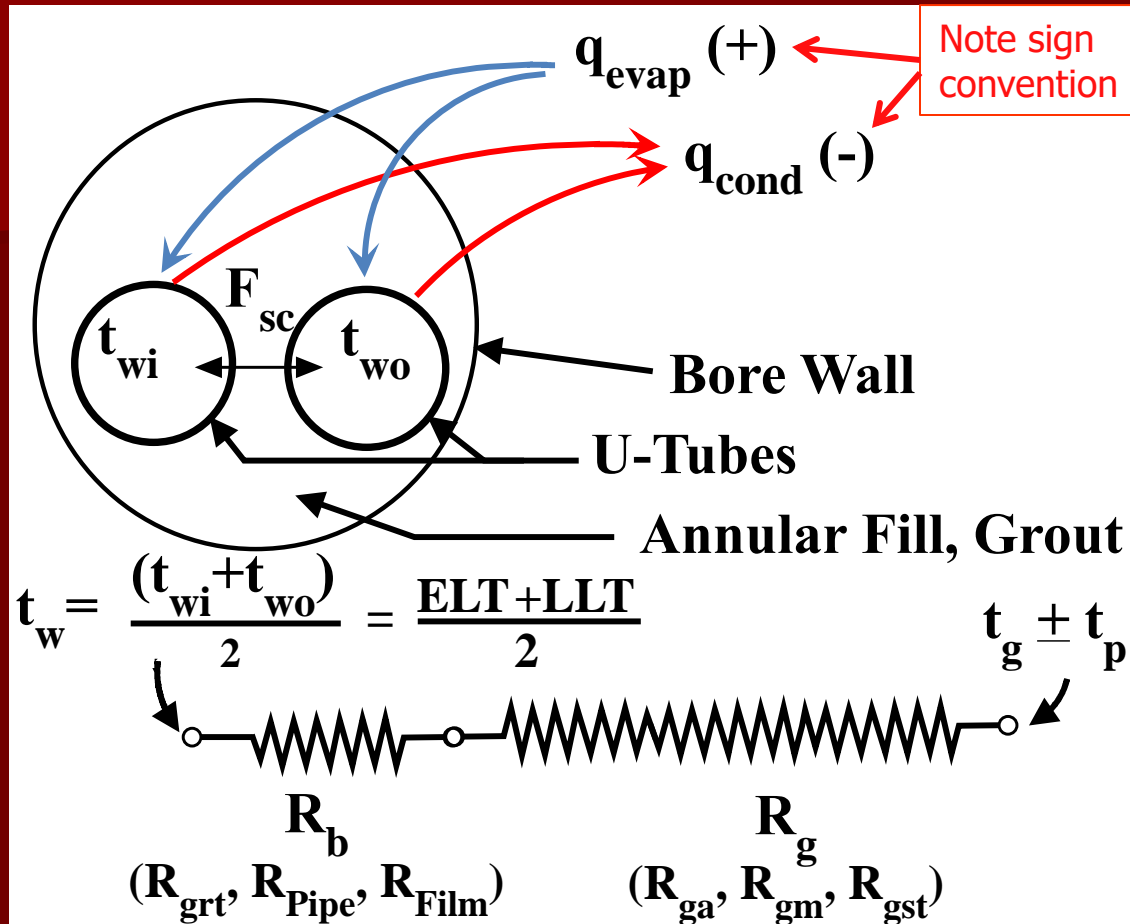
Likewise, the evaporating heat rate (q_{evap}) is the heat delivered to the building (heating required = q_{lh}) less the heat of compression, and is the amount removed from the ground in heating.

The amount of annual heat imbalance to the ground is estimated to account for long-term temperature change by determining the average annual heat rate (q_a).

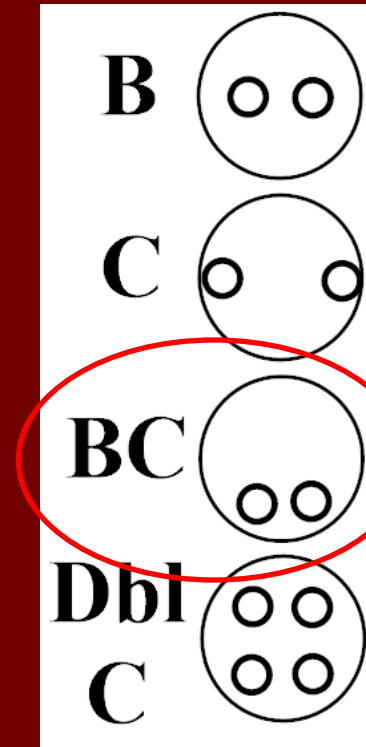
$$L_{bore} = \frac{q \times R_{ov}}{(t_g - t_w)}$$

The total bore length of the vertical ground heat exchanger is determined by multiplying the heat rate (q) by the overall resistance (R_{ov}) divided by the temperature difference between the ground (t_g) and the water in the heat exchanger (t_w).

Overall Bore and Ground Resistance Components



U-tube Locations in Bore



R_b = Bore Resistance
 R_b = Grout Resistance
 R_b = Grout Resistance
 R_b = Boundary Layer Resistance
 F_{sc} = U-Tube Short-Circuit Factor

R_g = Ground Resistance
 R_g = Annual Ground Resistance
 R_g = Monthly Ground Resistance
 R_g = Short-term Ground Resistance

t_{wi} = Ground Inlet Temperature
 t_{wo} = Ground Outlet Temperature
 t_g = Undisturbed Ground Temperature
 t_p = Long-term Temperature Penalty

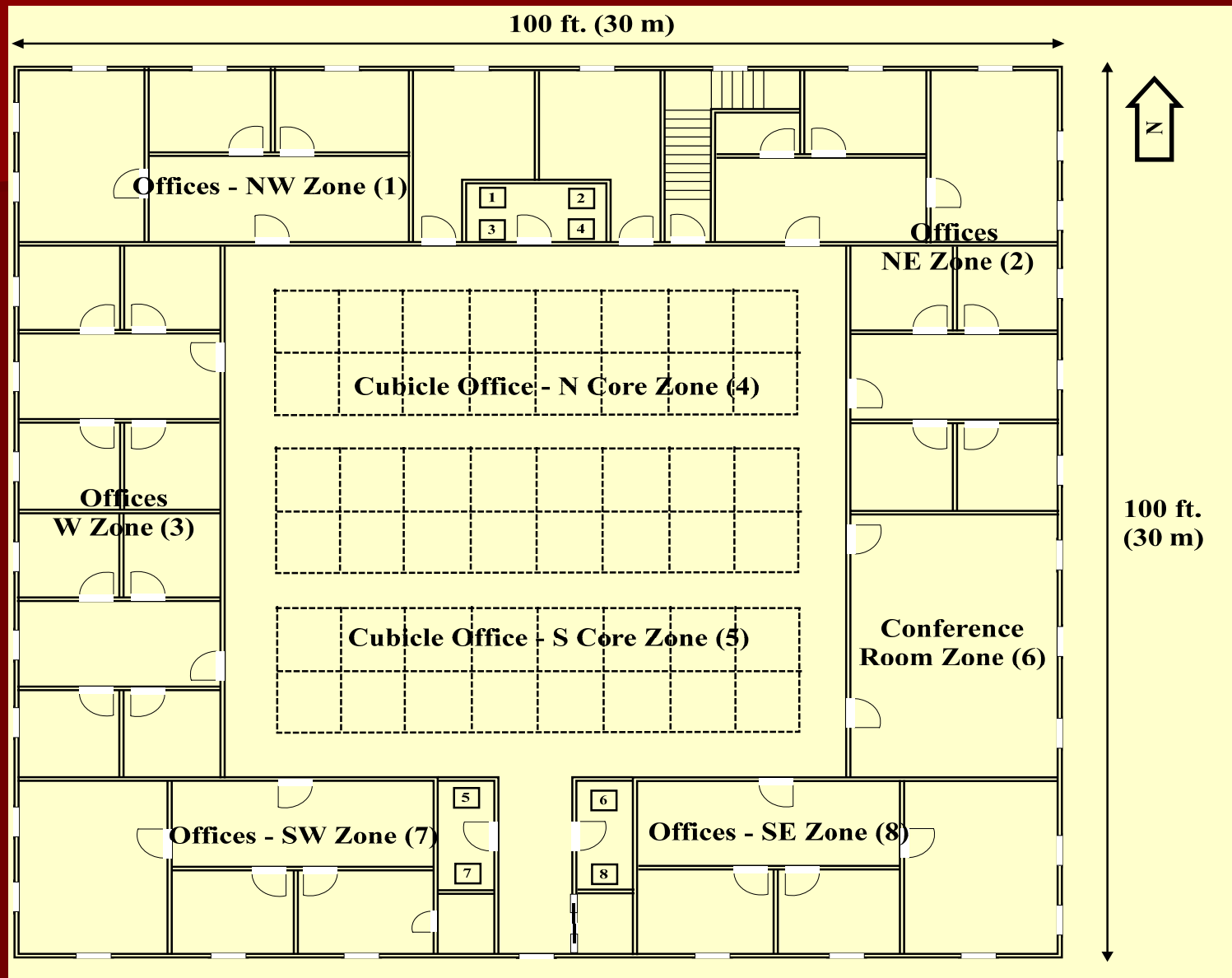
13-Step Design Procedure

1. Calculate cooling load and heat loss
2. Modify building design if loads are high
3. Estimate annual heat imbalance (cooling heat rejection/heating absorption) for potential long-term effects
4. Select preliminary loop operating temperatures
5. Correct equipment rated performance to actual operating conditions
6. Select heat pumps to meet loads—locate units to minimize duct cost, pump energy, and noise
7. Arrange units in circuits (unitary, one pipe, common, central)
8. Determine thermal properties of source—GCHP (TP test), GWHP (well test), SWHP (depth, volume, temperature)

13-Step Design Procedure (*cont.*)

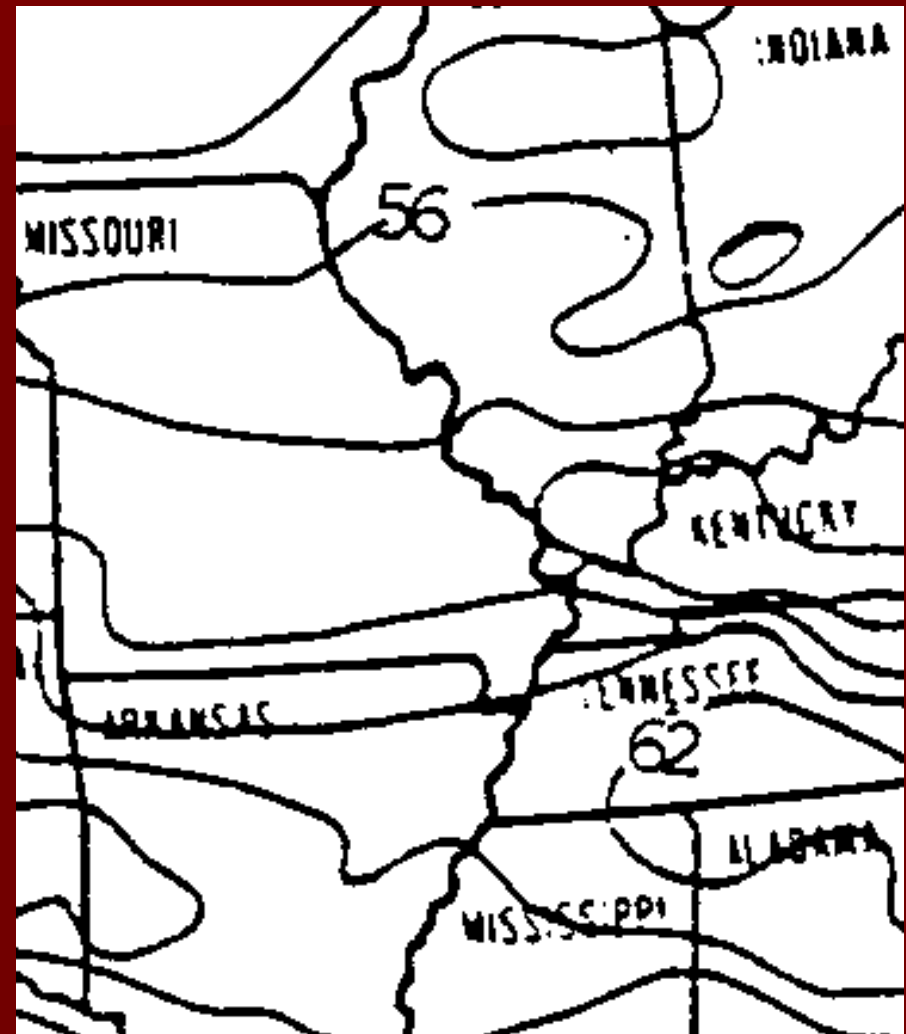
9. Select initial design option: GCHP (bore depth, separation, grout quality, U-tube HEXs per circuit); GWHP (supply well location, separation of injection well, optimum water well flow); SWHPs (length of individual coils, number of coils or plate HEXs per circuit, location in reservoir)
10. Determine optimum heat exchanger dimensions
11. Evaluate other options if initial design unsatisfactory (different loop temperatures, heat pumps, grouts, U-tubes, circuits, bore depths, bore separation, etc.)
12. Lay out exterior and interior piping network and find head loss through critical path and select pumps and calculate grade (A, B, C, D, F) based on pump power/system capacity
13. Calculate **system** efficiency (include all equipment) and redesign if efficiency is not superior to conventional HVAC

Example Office Building—St. Louis, MO



Building and Site Conditions—St. Louis

- Indoor temperatures
 - Cooling: 75°F (24°C) dry bulb, 63°F (17°C) wet bulb
 - Heating: 70°F (21°C)
- Outdoor temperatures
 - Cooling (0.4%): 96°F (36°C) dry bulb, 77°F (25°C) wet bulb
 - Heating (99.6%): 6°F (−14°C)
- US Geological Survey maps indicate local deep ground temperature is around 58°F to 59°F



Step 1: Calculate Building Cooling and Heating Requirements

These results obtained with TideLoad15.xlsm, an old fashioned CLTD spreadsheet (but it's free)

| | Zn | Cooling Loads in kBtu/h | | | | Total Heat Loss in kBtu/h | | | |
|----------------|----|-------------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------------------------|----------|---------|---------|
| | | 8am-Noon | Noon-4pm | 4pm-8pm | 8pm-8am | 8am-Noon | Noon-4pm | 4pm-8pm | 8pm-8am |
| N. West | 1 | 19.1 | 28.6 | 14.9 | 3.9 | 20.3 | 15.8 | 8.8 | 10.4 |
| N. East | 2 | 28.6 | 29.4 | 15.4 | 4.8 | 22.6 | 17.6 | 10.4 | 12.3 |
| West | 3 | 21.3 | 37.0 | 22.1 | 5.1 | 21.8 | 17.0 | 8.3 | 9.9 |
| N. Core | 4 | 34.2 | 44.7 | 11.8 | 4.7 | 32.0 | 24.9 | 5.3 | 6.3 |
| S. Core | 5 | 34.2 | 44.7 | 11.8 | 4.7 | 32.0 | 24.9 | 5.3 | 6.3 |
| Conf | 6 | 35.1 | 38.3 | 8.2 | 4.2 | 33.3 | 26.0 | 5.5 | 6.5 |
| S. West | 7 | 13.8 | 21.7 | 14.2 | 3.9 | 13.9 | 10.8 | 7.0 | 8.3 |
| S. East | 8 | 18.3 | 21.6 | 13.1 | 3.9 | 15.4 | 12.0 | 8.2 | 9.7 |
| Total Building | | 205 | 266 | 112 | 35 | 191 | 149 | 59 | 70 |

| | Zn | Cooling Loads in kW | | | | Total Heat Loss in kW | | | |
|----------------|----|---------------------|----------|---------|---------|-----------------------|----------|---------|---------|
| | | 8am-Noon | Noon-4pm | 4pm-8pm | 8pm-8am | 8am-Noon | Noon-4pm | 4pm-8pm | 8pm-8am |
| N. West | 1 | 5.6 | 8.4 | 4.4 | 1.1 | 5.9 | 4.6 | 2.6 | 3.0 |
| N. East | 2 | 8.4 | 8.6 | 4.5 | 1.4 | 6.6 | 5.2 | 3.0 | 3.6 |
| West | 3 | 6.3 | 10.9 | 6.5 | 1.5 | 6.4 | 5.0 | 2.4 | 2.9 |
| N. Core | 4 | 10.0 | 13.1 | 3.5 | 1.4 | 9.4 | 7.3 | 1.5 | 1.8 |
| S. Core | 5 | 10.0 | 13.1 | 3.5 | 1.4 | 9.4 | 7.3 | 1.5 | 1.8 |
| Conf | 6 | 10.3 | 11.2 | 2.4 | 1.2 | 9.8 | 7.6 | 1.6 | 1.9 |
| S. West | 7 | 4.0 | 6.4 | 4.2 | 1.1 | 4.1 | 3.2 | 2.1 | 2.4 |
| S. East | 8 | 5.4 | 6.3 | 3.8 | 1.2 | 4.5 | 3.5 | 2.4 | 2.8 |
| Total Building | | 60 | 78 | 33 | 10 | 56 | 44 | 17 | 20 |

$$q_{lc} = 266 \text{ kBtu/h or } 22.2 \text{ tons (78 kW)}$$

$$q_{hc} = 191 \text{ kBtu/h (56 kW)}$$

Step 2: Provide Alternatives to Reduce Cooling and Heating Requirements (Add ERU)

| | Zn | Cooling Loads in kBtu/h | | | | Total Heat Loss in kBtu/h | | | |
|----------------|----|-------------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------------------------|----------|---------|---------|
| | | 8am-Noon | Noon-4pm | 4pm-8pm | 8pm-8am | 8am-Noon | Noon-4pm | 4pm-8pm | 8pm-8am |
| N. West | 1 | 16.8 | 25.7 | 14.9 | 3.8 | 15.0 | 11.7 | 8.4 | 10.0 |
| N. East | 2 | 26.3 | 26.5 | 15.5 | 4.7 | 17.4 | 13.5 | 10.0 | 11.8 |
| West | 3 | 18.4 | 33.4 | 22.2 | 5.1 | 15.3 | 11.9 | 7.9 | 9.3 |
| N. Core | 4 | 27.2 | 36.1 | 11.9 | 4.6 | 16.3 | 12.7 | 4.2 | 4.9 |
| S. Core | 5 | 27.2 | 36.1 | 11.9 | 4.6 | 16.3 | 12.7 | 4.2 | 4.9 |
| Conf | 6 | 27.8 | 29.3 | 8.3 | 4.0 | 17.0 | 13.2 | 4.3 | 5.1 |
| S. West | 7 | 12.6 | 20.3 | 14.3 | 3.8 | 11.3 | 8.8 | 6.8 | 8.1 |
| S. East | 8 | 17.1 | 20.1 | 13.1 | 3.9 | 12.8 | 10.0 | 8.0 | 9.4 |
| Total Building | | 173 | 227 | 112 | 35 | 121 | 95 | 54 | 64 |
| | Zn | Cooling Loads in kW | | | | Total Heat Loss in kW | | | |
| | | 8am-Noon | Noon-4pm | 4pm-8pm | 8pm-8am | 8am-Noon | Noon-4pm | 4pm-8pm | 8pm-8am |
| N. West | 1 | 4.9 | 7.5 | 4.4 | 1.1 | 4.4 | 3.4 | 2.5 | 2.9 |
| N. East | 2 | 7.7 | 7.8 | 4.5 | 1.4 | 5.1 | 4.0 | 2.9 | 3.5 |
| West | 3 | 5.4 | 9.8 | 6.5 | 1.5 | 4.5 | 3.5 | 2.3 | 2.7 |
| N. Core | 4 | 8.0 | 10.6 | 3.5 | 1.3 | 4.8 | 3.7 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| S. Core | 5 | 8.0 | 10.6 | 3.5 | 1.3 | 4.8 | 3.7 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| Conf | 6 | 8.2 | 8.6 | 2.4 | 1.2 | 5.0 | 3.9 | 1.3 | 1.5 |
| S. West | 7 | 3.7 | 5.9 | 4.2 | 1.1 | 3.3 | 2.6 | 2.0 | 2.4 |
| S. East | 8 | 5.0 | 5.9 | 3.9 | 1.1 | 3.8 | 2.9 | 2.3 | 2.8 |
| Total Building | | 51 | 67 | 33 | 10 | 36 | 28 | 16 | 19 |

$$q_{lc} = 227 \text{ kBtu/h or } 18.9 \text{ tons (67 kW)}$$

$$q_{hc} = 121 \text{ kBtu/h (36 kW)}$$

Step 3: Most Folks have a Program that Calculates Off-Peak Loads but Use Estimated PLFs and ASHRAE Equivalent Full Load Hours (EFLH)

Caution is advised in using programs provided by manufacturers because the operating hours often exceed values found in the ASHRAE RP-1120.

Equivalent Full Load Hours (EFLH)

| Building Type | Nine to Ten Month Schools | | Office – 8 am to 5 pm Five Days / Week | | Retail – 8 am to 10 pm Seven Days / Week | |
|-----------------|---------------------------|---------|---|-----------|---|----------|
| | Occupied Hours | | Occupied Hours | | Occupied Hours | |
| Location | Cooling | Heating | Cooling | Heating | Cooling | Heating |
| Atlanta | 590-830 | 200-290 | 950-1360 | 480-690 | 1300-1860 | 380-600 |
| Baltimore | 410-610 | 320-460 | 690-1080 | 720-890 | 880-1480 | 570-770 |
| Bismarck | 150-250 | 460-500 | 250-540 | 950-990 | 340-780 | 810-900 |
| Boston | 300-510 | 450-520 | 450-970 | 960-1000 | 610-1380 | 760-870 |
| Charleston, WV | 430-570 | 310-440 | 620-1140 | 770-840 | 820-1600 | 620-730 |
| Charlotte | 510-730 | 200-320 | 940-1340 | 530-780 | 1280-1830 | 420-670 |
| Chicago | 280-410 | 390-470 | 420-780 | 820-920 | 550-1090 | 670-810 |
| Dallas | 620-890 | 120-200 | 1100-1580 | 340-520 | 1460-2090 | 280-440 |
| Detroit | 230-360 | 400-480 | 390-820 | 970-1020 | 530-1170 | 790-900 |
| Fairbanks, AK | 25-50 | 560-630 | 60-200 | 1050-1170 | 110-320 | 930-1090 |
| Great Falls, MT | 130-220 | 360-430 | 210-490 | 820-890 | 290-710 | 680-800 |
| Hilo, HI | 970-1390 | 0 | 1800-2580 | 15-25 | 2260-3370 | 0-20 |
| Houston | 670-1000 | 90-130 | 1240-1770 | 250-350 | 1600-2290 | 190-300 |
| Indianapolis | 380-560 | 400-480 | 560-1000 | 840-920 | 730-1410 | 690-820 |
| Los Angeles | 610-910 | 80-160 | 1140-1670 | 370-580 | 1650-2350 | 250-440 |
| Louisville | 470-670 | 290-430 | 770-1250 | 710-830 | 1000-1720 | 570-720 |
| Madison | 210-310 | 390-470 | 320-640 | 840-900 | 420-900 | 700-800 |
| Memphis | 580-830 | 170-240 | 950-1350 | 420-600 | 1250-1780 | 330-510 |
| Miami | 950-1300 | 10 | 1500-2150 | 35-45 | 1920-2740 | 25-40 |
| Minneapolis | 200-300 | 420-500 | 320-610 | 860-950 | 430-870 | 720-860 |
| Montgomery | 630-910 | 120-180 | 1060-1510 | 330-470 | 1390-1990 | 250-400 |
| Nashville | 520-740 | 250-320 | 830-1280 | 590-680 | 1030-1710 | 470-590 |
| New Orleans | 690-990 | 70-110 | 1200-1720 | 230-320 | 1570-2240 | 160-260 |
| New York | 360-550 | 350-440 | 540-1040 | 790-870 | 720-1480 | 630-760 |
| Omaha | 310-440 | 330-400 | 480-820 | 720-800 | 610-1130 | 600-720 |
| Phoenix | 710-1020 | 70-110 | 1130-1610 | 210-290 | 1430-2090 | 170-250 |
| Pittsburgh | 300-530 | 470-500 | 440-920 | 910-950 | 600-1310 | 750-840 |
| Portland, ME | 190-300 | 400-480 | 310-630 | 880-980 | 410-900 | 710-870 |
| Richmond, VA | 510-730 | 270-410 | 880-1310 | 660-820 | 1110-1770 | 520-710 |
| Sacramento | 600-850 | 220-360 | 1000-1430 | 640-990 | 1390-2020 | 480-830 |
| Salt Lake City | 410-710 | 520-540 | 510-1090 | 1040-1060 | 660-1520 | 830-930 |
| Seattle | 260-460 | 460-650 | 440-1200 | 1270-1370 | 710-1860 | 960-1170 |
| St. Louis | 390-550 | 280-400 | 680-1100 | 710-800 | 850-1500 | 570-700 |
| Tampa | 780-1110 | 40-60 | 1440-2000 | 140-190 | 1780-2560 | 100-160 |
| Tulsa | 540-770 | 240-300 | 830-1300 | 560-620 | 1030-1730 | 450-540 |

Step 4: Loop Operating Temperature and Liquid Flow Rates to Optimize Performance/First-Cost Trade-Off

- In cooling temperature entering heat pump (ELT) = 20°F to 30°F (11°C to 17°C) above the normal deep ground temperature (t_g).
- In heating temperature entering heat pump (ELT) = 10°F to 15°F (6°C to 8°C) below the normal deep ground temperature (t_g).
- Liquid flow rates 2.5 to 3.0 gpm/ton (2.7 to 3.2 Lpm/kW)

Step 5: WAHP Performance Correction (Free)

(Other options: manual calculations or shortcut method from Session 2)

Rated Performance

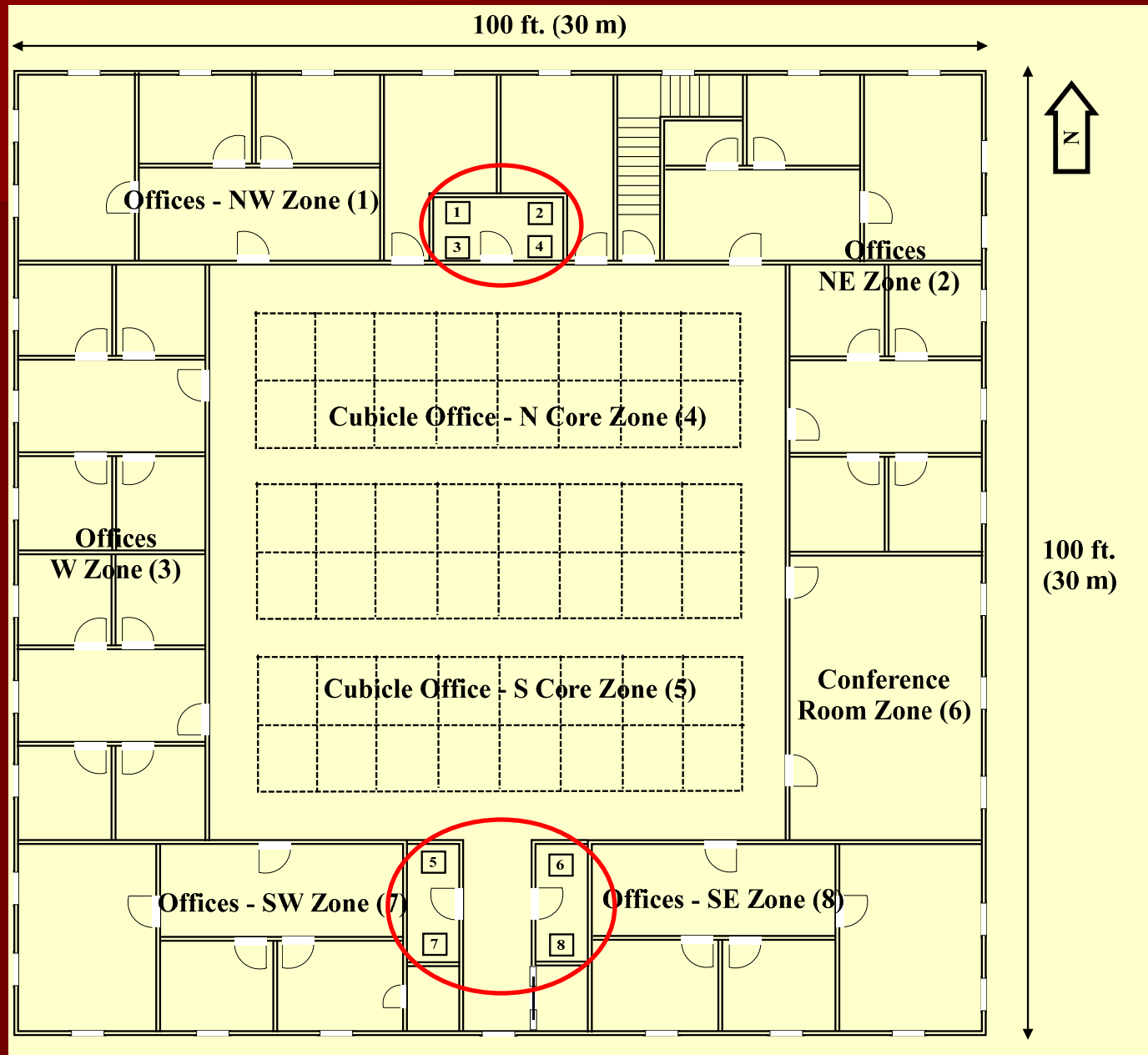
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|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|
| HC32 | COP32 | HC50 | COP50 | HC68 | COP68 |
| 43.3 | 3.9 | 55.1 | 4.7 | 69.8 | 5.4 |

| | | | | | | | | |
|-----|------|------|-------|------|------|-------|------|-------|
| gpm | cfm | TC59 | EER59 | TC77 | SC77 | EER77 | TC86 | EER86 |
| 15 | 1800 | 72.0 | 26.1 | 66.8 | | 19.5 | 64.3 | 17.2 |

Corrected Performance (includes fan and pump power, fan heat)

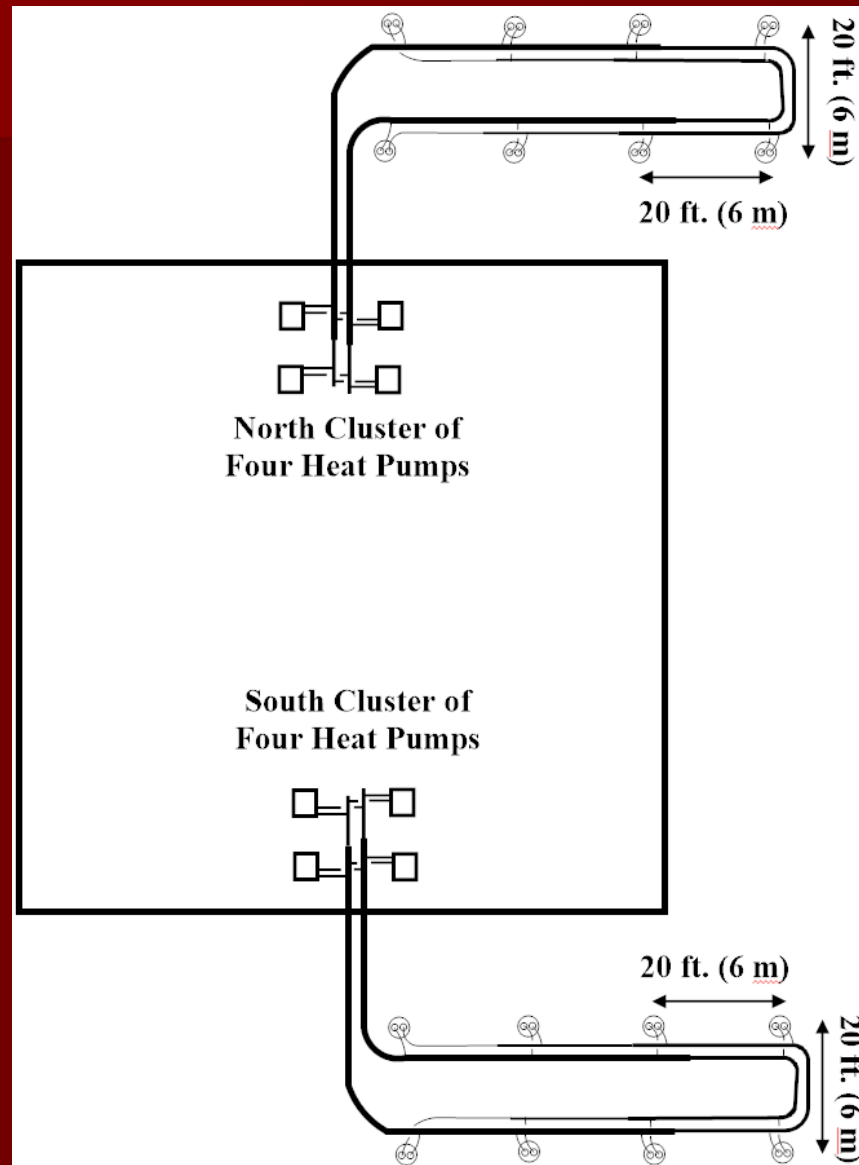
| GLHP Rated Performance | | Operating Conditions | | | Corrected Capacity, Power, EER and COP | | | |
|------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|-------------|-----------|--|----------------------|------------------|---------|
| Model# | ECM-60 | ELTClg | 80.0 | °F | | Pump(s) not Included | Pump(s) Included | |
| TC-77°F | 66.8 kBtu/h | ELTHtg | 43.0 | °F | TC | 61.6 kBtu/h | 61.6 kBtu/h | |
| SC-77°F | 0 kBtu/h | EATdbClg | 75.0 | °F | SC_Est | 41.6 kBtu/h | 41.6 kBtu/h | |
| EER-77°F | 19.5 Btu/W-h | EATwbClg | 63.0 | °F | SHR | 0.68 | 0.68 | |
| HC-32°F | 43.3 kBtu/h | EATHtg | 70.0 | °F | EERnoCF | 18.7 Btu/W-h | | Btu/W-h |
| COP-32°F | 3.9 W/W | Actgpm | 15.0 | gpm | kWc | 4.02 kW | 4.40 kW | |
| WtrFlow | 15.0 gpm | Actcfm | 1800 | cfm | EER | 15.3 Btu/W-h | 14.0 Btu/W-h | |
| AirFlow | 1800 cfm | Fan Power and Heat Correction*** | | | HC | 52.0 kBtu/h | 52.0 kBtu/h | |
| GpmPTonR | 2.7 | FanMotor | ECMwFCBlade | | COPnoCf | 4.39 W/W | | W/W |
| CfmPTonR | 323 | ESP | 0.5 | in. water | kWh | 3.95 kW | 4.34 kW | |
| GpmPTonA | 2.7 | FilterLoss | 0.3 | in. water | COP | 3.85 W/W | 3.51 W/W | |
| | | WAEff | 30% | | | | | |
| | | kWFan | 0.51 | kW | Optional Pump Power | | | |
| | | FanHeat | 1.7 | kBtu/h | kWpump | 0.385 | kW | |

Step 6: Select and Locate Heat Pumps

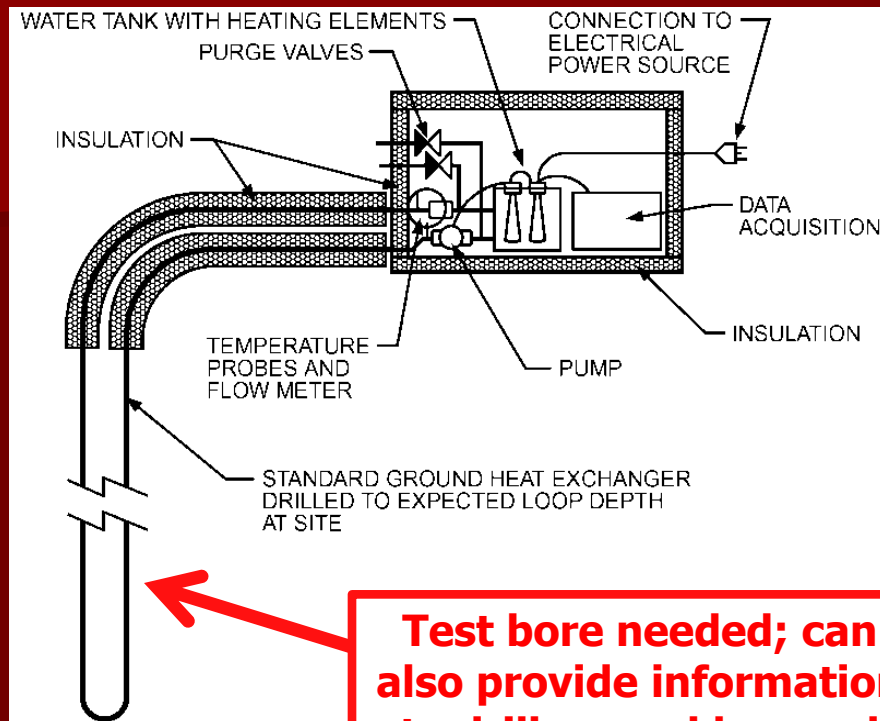


Step 7: Arrange Heat Pumps in Ground Loop Circuits

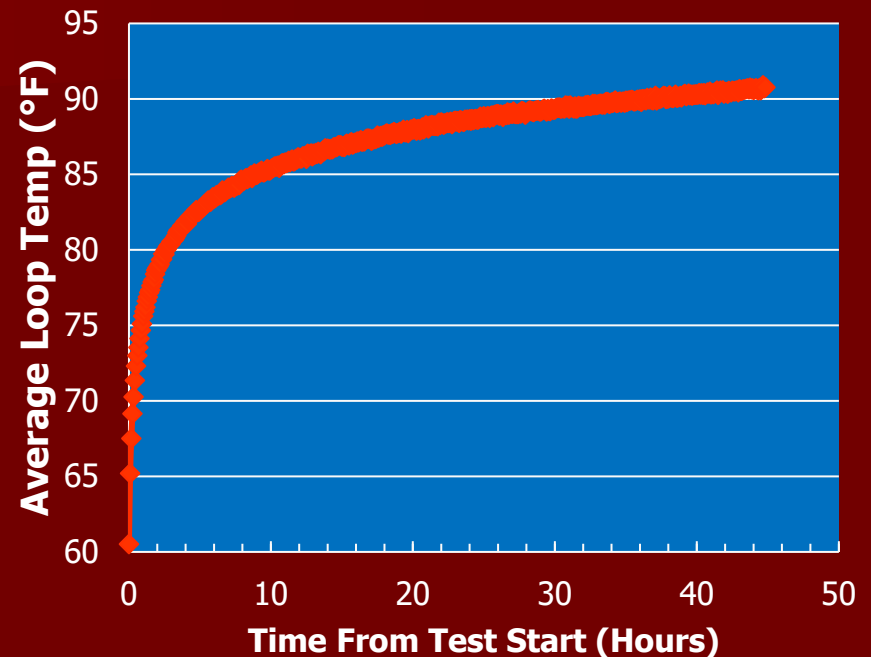
Initial Design: Two Common Loops with Four Heat Pumps Each



Step 8: Thermal Property (TP*) Test Equipment



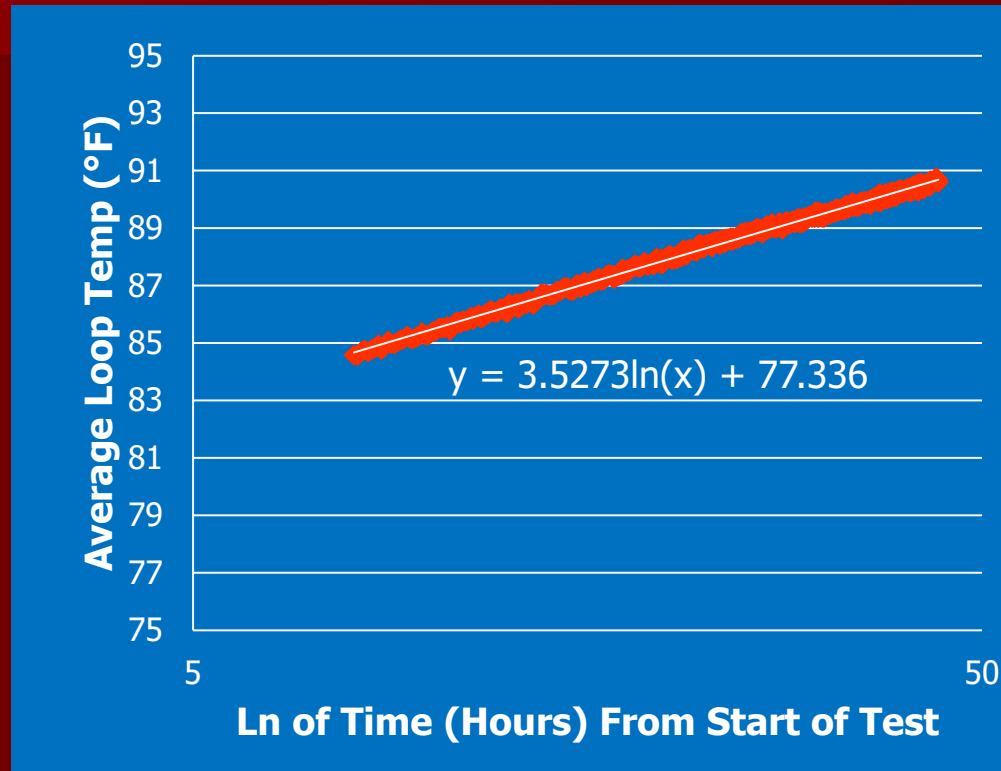
Test bore needed; can also provide information to drillers and be used as part of building loop after TP test is completed.



Natural ground temperature (t_g) found at start of test before heating elements are activated

*Often called a *thermal conductivity (TC)* test, but natural ground temperature (t_g) and thermal diffusivity (α_g) needed

Step 8: TP Test Results Converted to Natural Log of Time Versus Average Temperature to Determine Ground Thermal Conductivity (k_g)



Avg. Temperature vs. Ln (Time)

$$k_g = \frac{3.412 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{W} \cdot \text{h}} \times W}{4\pi L_{\text{bore}} \times \text{Slope}} = \frac{3.412 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{W} \cdot \text{h}} \times 5060 W}{4\pi \times 300(\text{ft.}) \times 3.5273^\circ\text{F}} = 1.30 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{h-ft-}^\circ\text{F}} = 2.25 \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m-K}}$$

Note:

Previous versions of this seminar detailed hand calculation procedures for system design. This proved difficult to complete during a three-hour seminar. The following slides are taken from a free computer program (GshpCalc) based on the calculations. Attendees wishing to receive copies of the hand calculations or the computer program may find them on the same site as the downloadable course materials for this course. Additional instructions on Slide 132.

Steps 1, 2, and 3: Enter Zone Load Calculation Results , Optimize if Values High , and Enter EFLHours

Design Day Zone Data

Equivalent Full Load Cooling and Heating Hours

See TideLoad for Building Load Calculations

Press F3 to copy zone data to new zones

Save Data to File

Next Screen

Zone **1**

Next Zone

Heat Gains

| | | | | |
|--------------|------|---------|-----|-------|
| 8 AM - Noon: | 16.8 | kBtuh = | 4.9 | kW(t) |
| Noon - 4 PM: | 25.7 | kBtuh = | 7.5 | kW(t) |
| 4 PM - 8 PM: | 14.9 | kBtuh = | 4.4 | kW(t) |
| 8 PM - 8 AM: | 3.8 | kBtuh = | 1.1 | kW(t) |

Annual Equivalent Full Load Cooling Hours **890.0**

Heat Losses

| | | | | |
|--------------|------|---------|-----|-------|
| 8 AM - Noon: | 15.0 | kBtuh = | 4.4 | kW(t) |
| Noon - 4 PM: | 11.7 | kBtuh = | 3.4 | kW(t) |
| 4 PM - 8 PM: | 8.4 | kBtuh = | 2.5 | kW(t) |
| 8 PM - 8 AM: | 10.0 | kBtuh = | 2.9 | kW(t) |

Annual Equivalent Full Load Heating Hours **755.0**

Number of days building occupied per week: **5.5**

Step 4 Select Loop Operating Temperatures and Flow Rates

Design Temperatures and Flows

Next Screen

Design Heat Pump Entering Water Temperature (EWT)

Cooling: °F = °C Heating: °F = °C

Design Water Loop Flow Rate: GPM/Ton* = LPM/kW*

* per ton (or kW) of heat pump capacity NOT per ton of peak block load

Typical Heat Pump Entering Water Temperatures

| | Cooling | Heating |
|-----------------|---|---|
| Vertical Ground | Add 20 to 35°F to Ground Temp Add 11 to 19°C to Ground Temp | Subtract 10 to 15°F from Ground Temp Subtract 6 to 8°C from Ground Temp |
| Ground Water | Add 10 to 25°F to Ground Water Temp Add 6 to 14°C to Ground Water Temp | Subtract 6 to 18°F from Ground Water Temp Subtract 3 to 10°C from Ground Water Temp |
| Surface Water | Add 8 to 15°F to Max Surface Water Temp Add 4 to 8°C to Max Surface Water Temp | Subtract 5 to 10°F from Min Surface Water Temp Subtract 3 to 6°C from Min Surface Water Temp |

Step 5 Select Heat Pump Manufacturer (from a List) and Correct Performance to Water and Air Conditions (Done Automatically)

Heat Pump Selections and Required Flow Rates

Heat Pump File Data Print Heat Pump Data **Load Heat Pump Data** Next Screen

Manufacturer XYZ with ECM for fan

Heat Pump Models

| Zone | Model# | Number of Units | GPM/zone | LPM/zone |
|------|--------|-----------------|----------|----------|
| 1 | 30 | 1 | 6.6 | 24.8 |
| 2 | 36 | 1 | 8.0 | 30.3 |
| 3 | 42 | 1 | 9.8 | 37.2 |
| 4 | 42 | 1 | 9.8 | 37.2 |

Click on the Load Heat Pump Data button to show available heat pump product lines.

Select zone and press F2 (or double click mouse) to change heat pump model for that zone

Step 8 Enter Ground Thermal Properties (Steps 6 and 7, See Previous Slides 64 and 65)

Ground Temperatures and Properties

Rock Property Table Soil Property Table Main Screen Next Screen

Undisturbed Temperature: 62.0 °F = 16.7 °C USGS Ground Water Temperature Map

Thermal Conductivity: 1.20 Btu/hr-ft·°F = 2.08 W/m-K Conductivity "Averager"

Thermal Diffusivity: 0.80 ft²/day = 0.074 m²/day Diffusivity "Averager"

Diffusivity Calculator

Recommendations for Thermal Property Testing

Step 9 Select Ground Heat Exchanger Specifications

Bore Hole / Pipe Resistance

Grout /Fill Thermal Conductivity

Bore Hole Diameter = inch = cm

Grout/Fill Conductivity = Btu/hr-ft²-°F = W/m-K

HDPE U-Tube Nominal Diameter 3/4 inch 1 inch
 SDR 1-1/4 inch 1-1/2 inch

HPDE Tube Thermal Conductivity = 0.22 Btu/hr-ft²-°F = 0.38 W/m-K

Tube Flow Regime Turbulent Transition Laminar

Resulting Eqv. Dia. = ft = m
 Bore Resistance = hr-ft²-°F/Btu = m-K/W

Main Screen Next Screen

B B/C

C Double U-tube

For U-tube heat exchangers with non-standard tubing (or other heat exchanger configurations), you can enter calculated bore resistance directly.

Step 9 Continued Select Ground Heat Exchanger Specifications

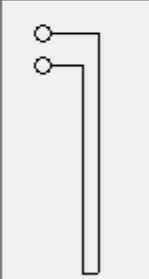
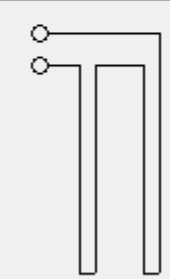
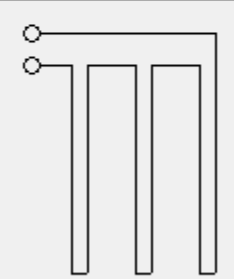
Ground Field Arrangement

Main Screen Next Screen

Vertical Grid Arrangement
Number of Rows Wide =
Number of Rows Long =

Separation Distance between Vertical Bores
 ft = m

Number of Bores per Parallel Loop =

One bore per loop Two bores per loop Three bores per loop

Preliminary Step 12 Specify Pump (to Include in System Heat Balance Calculations)

Pump Input Screen

Next Screen

Pump Motor Efficiency = 85 %

Required EPACT Motor Efficiencies

Pump Estimator

Pump Head = 60 ft water = 18.3 m water
Pump Efficiency = 70 %

Required Pump Motor Power
0.7 hp = 0.5 kW

- Users may leave pump motor power as zero on the first iteration.
- These can be added after the required motor sizes are calculated.
- However, system efficiencies (EER, COP) and demand will include only power to compressors and indoor fans until this screen is completed.

Options Screen to Complete Initial Design or Make Changes

Vertical Closed Ground Loop Option Screen

| | | |
|---|-------------------------|----------------------|
| Design Water Temperatures/Flow Rates | Quit Program | New Loop Type |
| Load Existing Ground Loop Files | Change User Info | Printer Setup |
| Ground Temperatures or Properties | Water Heating | |
| Bore Hole / Pipe Resistance | Zone Data | |
| Vertical Bore Pattern/Separation | Load | Change |
| Optional Pump Motor Information | Save | View |
| Select/View Heat Pump Model | New Building | |
| Calculate Required Bore Lengths | Split Zones | |

Steps 10, 11, and 13*

Complete Initial Design and Calculate System Efficiency

Vertical Closed Ground Loop Design Lengths - U.S Units

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Design Hybrid GCHP | Long Term Temps | Save Input to File | Metric Units | Print Values | Next Screen |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|

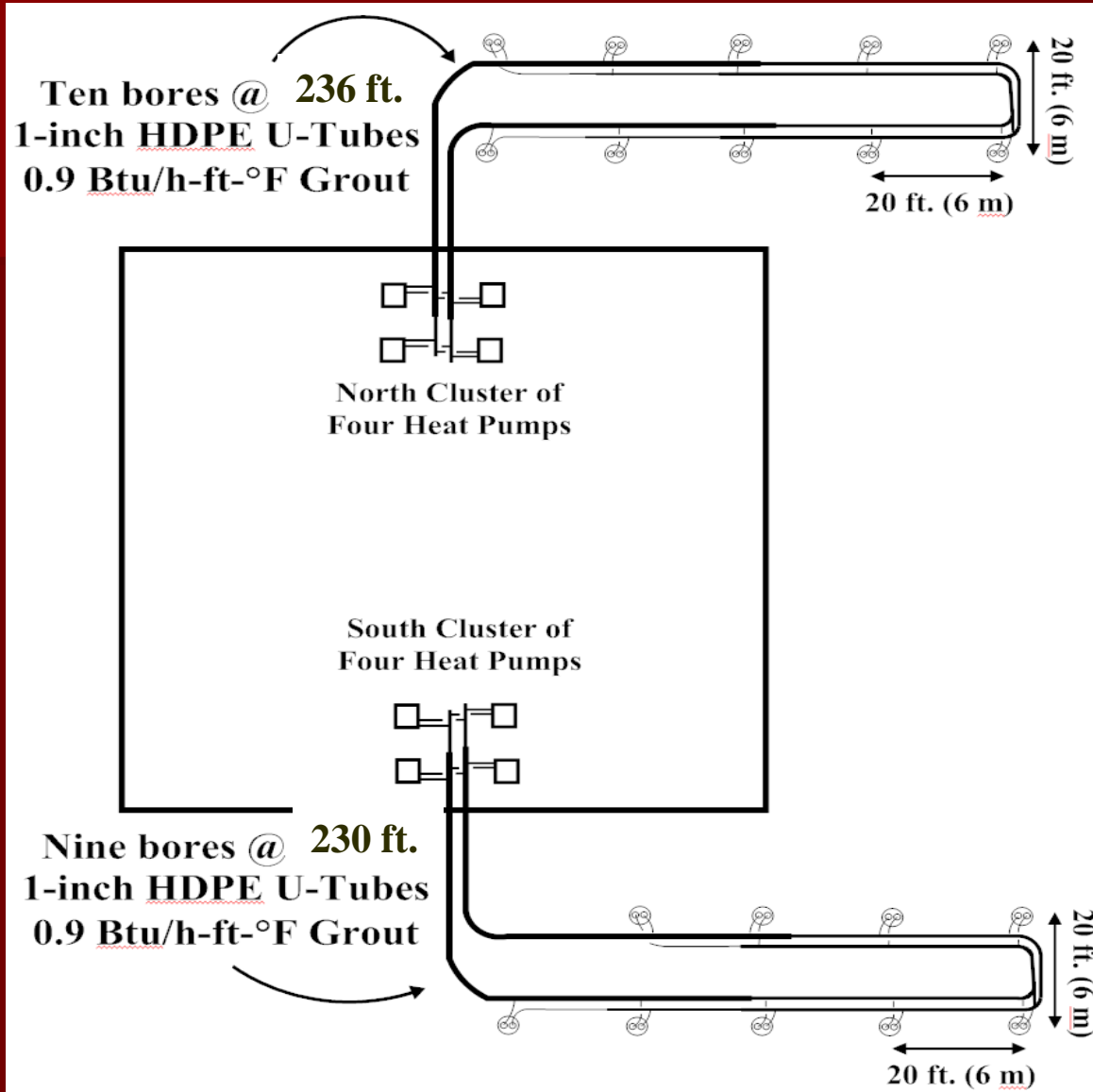
Required BORE length with minimal groundwater movement = 2350 ft (236 ft/bore)
(Design based on COOLING mode - net annual heat rejection to ground)

Required BORE lengths with high rates of groundwater movement (or year 1)
Cooling: L= 2190 ft (220 ft/bore). Heating: L= 2150 ft (215 ft/bore)

***** Heat Pump Series: WaterFurnace Envision with ECM for fan *****

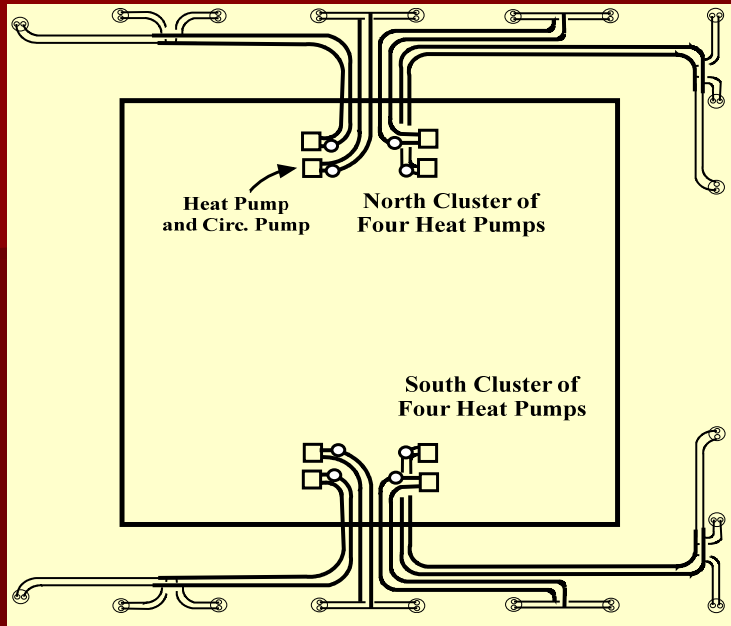
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|---|---|
| <p>Temperatures</p> <p>Unit Inlet (cooling) = 86.0°F Unit Outlet (cooling) = 95.6°F Unit Inlet (heating) = 55.0°F Unit Outlet (heating) = 48.6°F Normal ground temp = 62.0°F</p> | <p>Maximum Block Loads/Demands</p> <p>Cooling Load/Demand = 122 kBtuh / 7 kW Heating Load/Demand = 64 kBtuh / 4 kW Cooling EER (Ht Pump/Sys) = 16.6 / 15.4 Heating COP (Ht Pump/Sys) = 5.0 / 4.3 Loop Pump Head/Flow Rate = 60 ft / 30 gpm Loop Pump Power/Demand = 0.7 hp / 0.6 kW</p> |
| <p>U-bend/Bore Data</p> <p>U-tube Diameter = 1.00 inch Separation dist. = 20.0 ft Grid = 2 wide by 5 deep Grout Conductivity = 0.90 Btu/hr-ft*F Bore Diameter = 6.00 inches</p> | <p>Ground Data</p> <p>Thermal Conductivity = 1.20 Btu/hr-ft*F Thermal Diffusivity = 0.80 ft²/day Ground Temperature = 62.0 °F</p> |

*Details of Step 12 (Calculate system head loss and specify pump(s) addressed in next session.

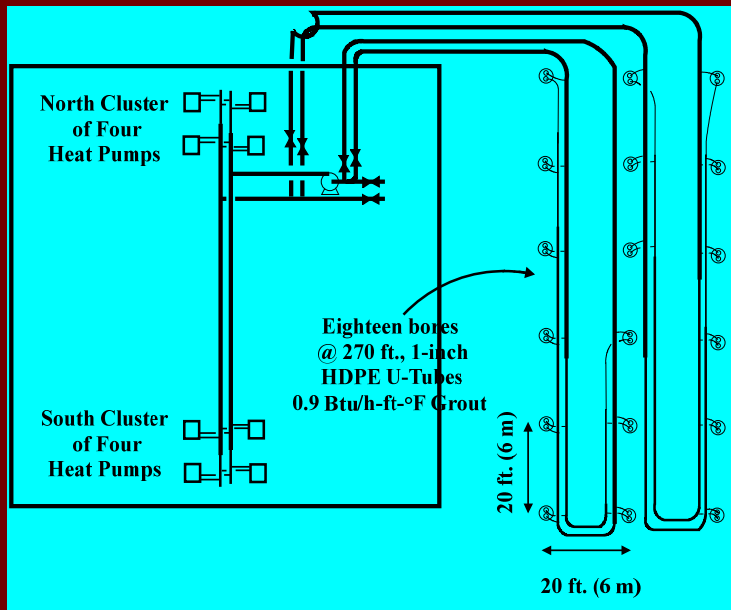


Alternative Designs—Step 11

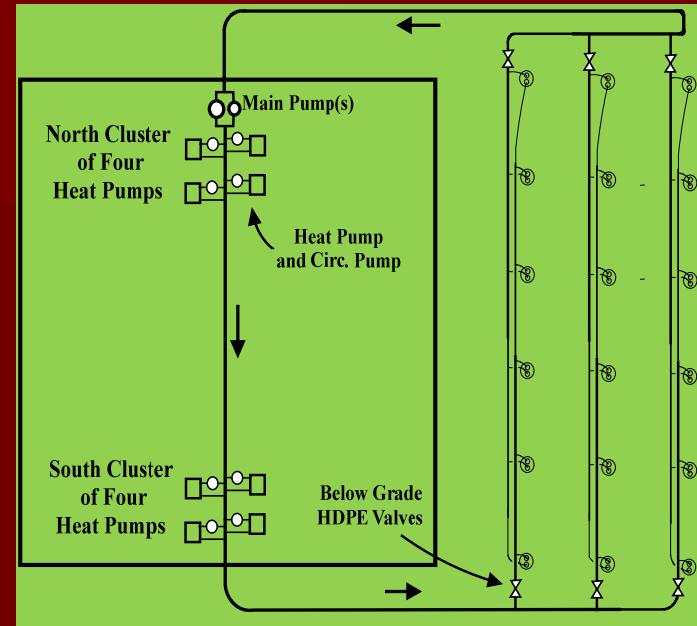
Unitary
Loops



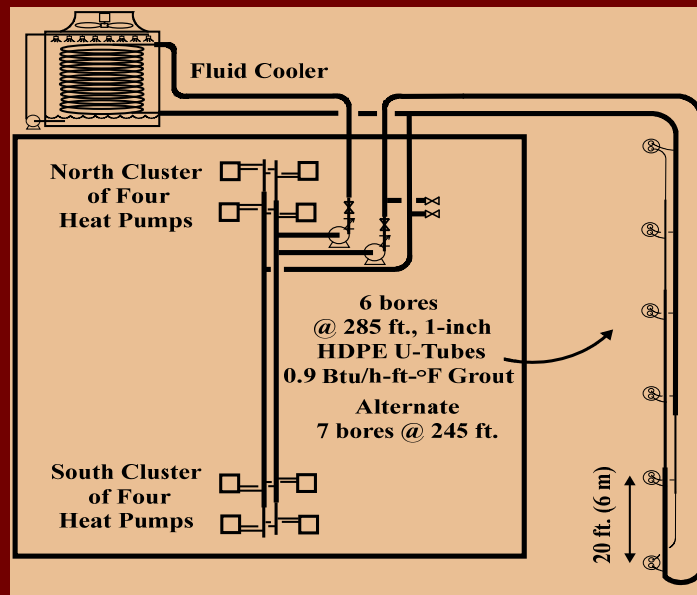
Central
Loop



One-
Pipe
Loop



Hybrid
System



Summary of Alternatives

Original Design: System EER = 13.9, COP = 4.0, ELT(clg) = 86°F (30°C), ELT(htg) = 50°F (10°C), nineteen vertical bores at 4800 ft (1460 m) total, 1-inch nominal (32 mm) HDPE U-tubes, 20 ft. (6 m) bore separation, two ground loop circuits (10 bore and 9 bore), 0.90 Btu/h-ft-°F (1.56 W/m-K) grout conductivity, eight 200-W pumps, on-off controls with check valves.

| Design alternative | Ground loop size | Efficiency | Other |
|---|--------------------|--------------|---|
| Eight unitary loop | No change | 1% Increase | Check valves no longer required |
| One-pipe loop 1.5-hp (1.1 kW) & 12 circulator pumps | 1% Increase | 1% Decrease | Central pump(s) added |
| Central loop with single 2-hp (1.5 kW) pump | 1% Increase | No change | 2-way heat pump valves, VS pump |
| Increase grout conductivity to 1.5 Btu/h-ft-°F | 9.3% Decrease | No change | Higher material cost |
| Use double U-tubes in vertical bores | 12.6% Decrease | No change | Addition header fittings required |
| Double U-tubes + 1.5 Btu/h-ft-°F grout | 17.8% Decrease | No change | Addition header fittings required |
| Double U-tube conductivity (to 0.44 Btu/h-ft-°F) | 12.6% Decrease | No change | Higher material cost |
| Double U-tube cond. + 1.5 Btu/h-ft-°F grout | 14.4% Decrease | No change | Much higher material cost |
| Reduce grout conductivity to 0.42 Btu/h-ft-°F | 23% Increase | No change | Grout mat'l weight reduced 400% |
| Increase bore separation distance to 25 ft. (7.6 m) | 8 to 12% Decrease | No change | Increase in req'd ground area by 56% |
| Decrease bore separation distance to 15 ft. (4.6 m) | 21 to 44% Increase | No change | Increased possibility of cross-drilling |
| Increase ELT(clg) to 95°F (35°C) | 20% Decrease | 13% Decrease | Heat pumps only rated to ELT = 86°F |
| Decrease ELT(clg) to 77°F (25°C) | 38% Increase | 9% Increase | Much higher ground loop cost |
| Hybrid-System (fluid cooler) | 60% Decrease | 9% Decrease | Much higher maintenance cost |
| Copper U-tubes and 5.0 Btu/h-ft-°F grout | 21% Decrease | No change | Much higher cost, grout not available |

Questions?
Comments?
Discussion?

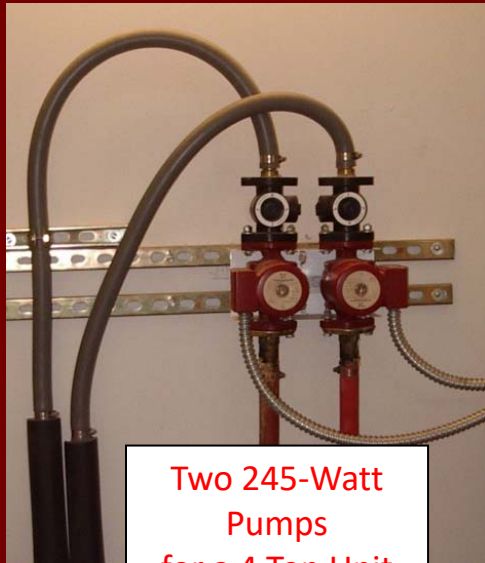
Session 4

**PIPING AND PUMPS FOR
CLOSED-LOOP GROUND-SOURCE
HEAT PUMPS**

Why Some GSHP Systems Use More Energy than Advertised



Two 385-Watt
Pumps
for a 5 Ton Unit



Two 245-Watt
Pumps
for a 4 Ton Unit



75 hp Pump for 500 Ton System

Expanded Table for Pump Power Grade

| Installed Pump Power | Power into Pump Motor | GRADE | Available Head w/70% Eff. Pump at 3 gpm/ton |
|---|-----------------------|----------|--|
| < 5 hp/100 tons | < 45 W/ton | A | < 46 ft. of water |
| 5 < hp/100 tons ≤ 7.5 | 45 < W/ton ≤ 65 | B | 46 to 69 ft. of water |
| 7.5 < hp/100 tons ≤ 10 | 65 < W/ton ≤ 85 | C | 69 to 92 ft. of water |
| 10 < hp/100 tons ≤ 15 | 85 < W/ton ≤ 125 | D | 92 to 138 ft. of water |
| > 15 hp/100 tons | > 125 W/ton | F | > 138 ft. of water |
| Installed Pump Power | Power into Pump Motor | GRADE | Available Pressure w/70% Eff. Pump at 3 Lpm/kW |
| < 10.5 W_m/kW_t | < 13 W_e/kW_t | A | < 140 kPa |
| 10.5 < W_m/kW_t ≤ 16 | 13 < W_e/kW_t ≤ 19 | B | 140 to 210 kPa |
| 16 < W_m/kW_t ≤ 21 | 19 < W_e/kW_t ≤ 25 | C | 210 to 280 kPa |
| 21 < W_m/kW_t ≤ 32 | 25 < W_e/kW_t ≤ 36 | D | 280 to 420 kPa |
| > 32 W_m/kW_t | > 36 W_e/kW_t | F | > 420 kPa |
| $W_m \equiv$ Watts Mechanical, $W_e \equiv$ Watts Electrical, $kW_t \equiv$ Kilowatts Thermal | | | |

Ensuring High GSHP Efficiency with Minimal Head Loss and Smaller Pumps



How's it done? For unitary and residential systems:
Use 1 in. (32 mm) U-tubes
and
1.5 in. (40 mm) or
2 in. (50 mm) headers

Standard Unitary Practice

Two 385 W pumps on 5 ton unit

$$\text{EER} = 61,600 \text{ Btu/h} \div (4020 + 2 \times 385 \text{ W})$$

$$\text{EER} = 12.9 \text{ Btu/W}\cdot\text{h} \text{ (COP} = 3.8)$$

Smarter Unitary Practice

One 385 W pump on 5 ton Unit

$$\text{EER} = 61,600 \text{ Btu/h} \div (4020 + 385 \text{ W})$$

$$\text{EER} = 14.0 \text{ Btu/W}\cdot\text{h} \text{ (COP} = 4.1)$$

Even Smarter Unitary Practice

One 245 W pump on 5 ton unit

$$\text{EER} = 61,400 \text{ Btu/h} \div (4020 + 245 \text{ W})$$

$$\text{EER} = 14.3 \text{ Btu/W}\cdot\text{h} \text{ (COP} = 4.2)$$

Head Loss with ¾ in. (25 mm) U-Tubes and 1¼ in. (40 mm) Headers

| Liquid | 20% Prop Glycol | → | Percent by Volume | Coils | Flow | Rated | Rated Δh | Inlet | Inlet | Re(in) | Rated | Re(rated) | Δh | | | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------|-------------------|-----------|-------|---------|-----------|----------|-------|--------|----------|-----------|-------------------|--------------|-------------|------|------------|
| Temp | 40 °F | | | | gpm | Flow | @ 60°F | Size | Vel | | Vel | | Ft. Liquid | | | | |
| Den | 64.0 lbm/ft ³ | | | Heat Pump | 15 | gpm | ft. water | inches | fps | | fps | | | | | | |
| Vis | 2.31E-03 lbm/ft-s | | 3.44 cps | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | | | | |
| Coil sub-total | | | | | | | | | | | | | 12.6 | | | | |
| HDPE Piping | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Flow | Nom. Dia. | DR | I.D. | Vel | Re | Δh(ft) | Length | Fittings | Leqv | Qty. | Fittings | Leqv | Qty. | Fittings | Leqv | Qty. | Δh |
| gpm | Inches | OD ÷ t | in. | fps | | 100 ft. | ft. | | ft | | | ft | | | ft | | Ft. Liquid |
| 15 | 1.25 | 11 | 1.36 | 3.3 | 10404 | 4.65 | 150 | Butt90 | 10 | 4 | ButtRed | 5 | 2 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 2 | 12.1 |
| 3 | 0.75 | 11 | 0.86 | 1.7 | 3290 | 2.57 | 500 | UniCoil | 8 | 1 | Butt90 | 5 | 2 | ButtRed | 4 | 2 | 13.5 |
| | 3 | 11 | 2.86 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | Butt90 | 26 | 2 | ButtRed | 10 | 2 | Butt90 | 26 | 2 | 0.0 |
| | 2 | 11 | 1.94 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | Butt90 | 17 | 2 | ButtRed | 7 | 2 | ButtRed | 7 | 2 | 0.0 |
| | 2 | 11 | 1.94 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | Butt90 | 17 | 2 | ButtRed | 7 | 2 | ButtRed | 7 | 2 | 0.0 |
| | 1.25 | 11 | 1.36 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | Butt90 | 10 | 2 | ButtRed | 5 | 2 | ButtRed | 5 | 2 | 0.0 |
| HDPE sub-total | | | | | | | | | | | | | 25.6 | | | | |
| Other | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fittings & Valves | | | | Cv | Flow | Rated | Quantity | Inlet | Inlet | Re(in) | Rated | Re(rated) | Δh | | | | |
| | | | | @ 60°F | gpm | gpm | | Size | Vel | | Vel | | Ft. Liquid | | | | |
| | | | | gpm | | | | inches | fps | | fps | | | | | | |
| ball valve | | | | 15 | 35 | 4 | 1 | 6.1 | 14130 | 14.3 | 95954 | 1.9 | | | | | |
| 1"x 3' host kit | | | | 15 | 16.4 | 2 | 1 | 6.1 | 14130 | 6.7 | 44961 | 4.3 | | | | | |
| Y-strainer | | | | 15 | 28 | 1 | 1 | 6.1 | 14130 | 11.4 | 76763 | 0.7 | | | | | |
| Fitting sub-total | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6.9 | | | | |
| Open Sys Only | | | | | | | | | | | | | Elevation | Feet | 0 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | Total Loss | Ft. Liquid | 45.2 | | |

Reduce Head Loss with 1 in. (32 mm) U-Tubes, 1½ in. (50 mm) Headers, and 1¼-in. Hose Kits and Valves

| Liquid | 20% Prop Glycol | → Percent by Volume | Coils | | Flow | Rated | Rated Δh | Inlet | Inlet | Re(in) | Rated | Re(rated) | Δh | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------|------|--------|----------|----------|----------|-------|--------|-----------|------------|--------------------------|--------------|-------------|----------|------------|
| Temp | 40 °F | | | | gpm | Flow | @ 60°F | Size | Vel | | Vel | | Ft. Liquid | | | | |
| Den | 64.0 lbm/ft ³ | | Heat Pump | | 15 | 15 | 11.5 | 1 | 6.1 | 14130 | 6.1 | 41123 | 12.6 | | | | |
| Vis | 2.31E-03 lbm/ft-s | 3.44 cps | | | | | | | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | | | | |
| | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | | | | |
| HDPE Piping | | | | | | | | | | | | | Coil sub-total | 12.6 | | | |
| Flow | Nom. Dia. | DR | I.D. | Vel | Re | Δh(ft) | Length | Fittings | Leqv | Qty. | Fittings | Leqv | Qty. | Fittings | Leqv | Qty. | Δh |
| gpm | Inches | OD ÷ t | in. | fps | | 100 ft. | ft. | | ft | | | ft | | | ft | | Ft. Liquid |
| 15 | 1.5 | 11 | 1.55 | 2.5 | 9090 | 2.46 | 150 | Butt90 | 12 | 4 | ButtRed | 6 | 2 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 2 | 6.7 |
| 3 | 1 | 11 | 1.08 | 1.1 | 2627 | 0.74 | 500 | UniCoil | 10 | 1 | Butt90 | 8 | 2 | ButtRed | 4 | 2 | 4.0 |
| | 3 | 11 | 2.86 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | Butt90 | 26 | 2 | ButtRed | 10 | 2 | Butt90 | 26 | 2 | 0.0 |
| | 2 | 11 | 1.94 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | Butt90 | 17 | 2 | ButtRed | 7 | 2 | ButtRed | 7 | 2 | 0.0 |
| | 2 | 11 | 1.94 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | Butt90 | 17 | 2 | ButtRed | 7 | 2 | ButtRed | 7 | 2 | 0.0 |
| | 1.25 | 11 | 1.36 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | Butt90 | 10 | 2 | ButtRed | 5 | 2 | ButtRed | 5 | 2 | 0.0 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | HDPE sub-total | 10.6 | | | |
| | | | Other | | Cv | | | Inlet | Inlet | Rated | Re(rated) | Δh | | | | | |
| | | | Fittings | Flow | @ 60°F | Quantity | | Size | Vel | Vel | | Ft. Liquid | | | | | |
| | | | & Valves | gpm | gpm | | | inches | fps | fps | | | | | | | |
| | | | ball valve | 15 | 47 | 4 | | 1.25 | 3.9 | 11304 | 12.3 | 103082 | 1.1 | | | | |
| | | | 3' host kit | 15 | 34.1 | 2 | | 1.25 | 3.9 | 11304 | 8.9 | 74789 | 1.1 | | | | |
| | | | Y-strainer | 15 | 43 | 1 | | 1.25 | 3.9 | 11304 | 11.2 | 94309 | 0.3 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | Fitting sub-total | 2.5 | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | Open Sys Only | ►► Elevation | Feet | 0 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | Total Loss | Ft. Liquid | 25.8 | | |

Notes on U-Tube Size to Limit Head Loss

■ For HPDE with water

1. Limit $\frac{3}{4}$ in. DR 11 to 250 ft bores (500 ft of pipe)
2. Limit 1 in. DR 11 to 350 ft bores (700 ft of pipe)
3. Limit $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. DR 11 (or DR 9) to 500 ft bores (1000 ft of pipe)*

■ For HPDE in heating-dominant buildings with water/antifreeze mixtures

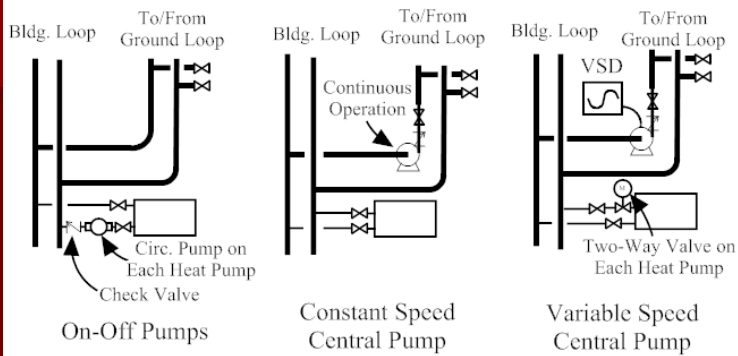
1. Limit $\frac{3}{4}$ in. DR 11 to 200 ft bores (500 ft of pipe)
2. Limit 1 in. DR 11 to 300 ft bores (600 ft of pipe)
3. Limit $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. DR 11 (or DR 9) to 450 ft bores (900 ft of pipe)*

■ For cross-linked polyethylene (PEX)

1. Caution advised because PEX inside diameters are based on copper tube size (CTS) and DR 9. Actual diameters are much smaller for the same nominal diameter for HDPE tubes which are based on larger iron pipe size (IPS) diameters.
2. Below-grade mechanical joints are to be avoided at all cost.

* Consider DR 9 for bores greater than 400 ft

Pump Energy and Operating Cost Comparison



| %Full Load | On-Off Pump KWh | | Const. Pump KWh | | Var .Spd. Pump KWh | |
|------------|-----------------|---------|-----------------|---------|--------------------|---------|
| | Cooling | Heating | Cooling | Heating | Cooling | Heating |
| 0% | 0 | 0 | 1773 | 1773 | 299 | 299 |
| 10% | 141 | 125 | 997 | 887 | 168 | 149 |
| 20% | 209 | 181 | 742 | 643 | 125 | 108 |
| 30% | 220 | 188 | 521 | 443 | 88 | 75 |
| 40% | 200 | 175 | 355 | 310 | 85 | 74 |
| 50% | 180 | 148 | 255 | 211 | 82 | 68 |
| 60% | 141 | 122 | 166 | 144 | 70 | 61 |
| 70% | 98 | 88 | 100 | 89 | 54 | 48 |
| 80% | 88 | 75 | 78 | 66 | 52 | 45 |
| 90% | 70 | 56 | 55 | 44 | 47 | 37 |
| 100% | 47 | 31 | 33 | 22 | 34 | 23 |
| Totals | 1394 | 1189 | 5075 | 4632 | 1104 | 987 |
| | 2583 | \$310 | 9707 | \$1,165 | 2090 | \$251 |

| %Full Load | On-Off Pump KWh | | Const. Pump KWh | | Var .Spd. Pump KWh | |
|------------|-----------------|---------|-----------------|---------|--------------------|---------|
| | Cooling | Heating | Cooling | Heating | Cooling | Heating |
| 0% | 0 | 0 | 2660 | 2660 | 742 | 742 |
| 10% | 211 | 188 | 1496 | 1330 | 417 | 371 |
| 20% | 314 | 272 | 1114 | 964 | 311 | 269 |
| 30% | 331 | 281 | 781 | 665 | 218 | 185 |
| 40% | 300 | 263 | 532 | 465 | 148 | 130 |
| 50% | 270 | 223 | 382 | 316 | 123 | 102 |
| 60% | 211 | 183 | 249 | 216 | 105 | 91 |
| 70% | 148 | 131 | 150 | 133 | 80 | 71 |
| 80% | 131 | 113 | 116 | 100 | 79 | 67 |
| 90% | 105 | 84 | 83 | 66 | 70 | 56 |
| 100% | 70 | 47 | 50 | 33 | 51 | 34 |
| Totals | 2091 | 1784 | 7613 | 6948 | 2344 | 2119 |
| | 3875 | \$465 | 14561 | \$1,747 | 4463 | \$536 |

Not Oversized

50% Oversized
(VS drives operate at minimum speed for many more hours)

Exterior Pipe: HDPE with Dimension Ratio ($DR = OD/t$)
IP: $OD = \text{Schedule Pipe } OD, ID = OD(1-2/DR)$
SI: $OD \text{ (mm)} = 25, 32, 40, 50, 63\dots, ID = OD(1-2/DR)$



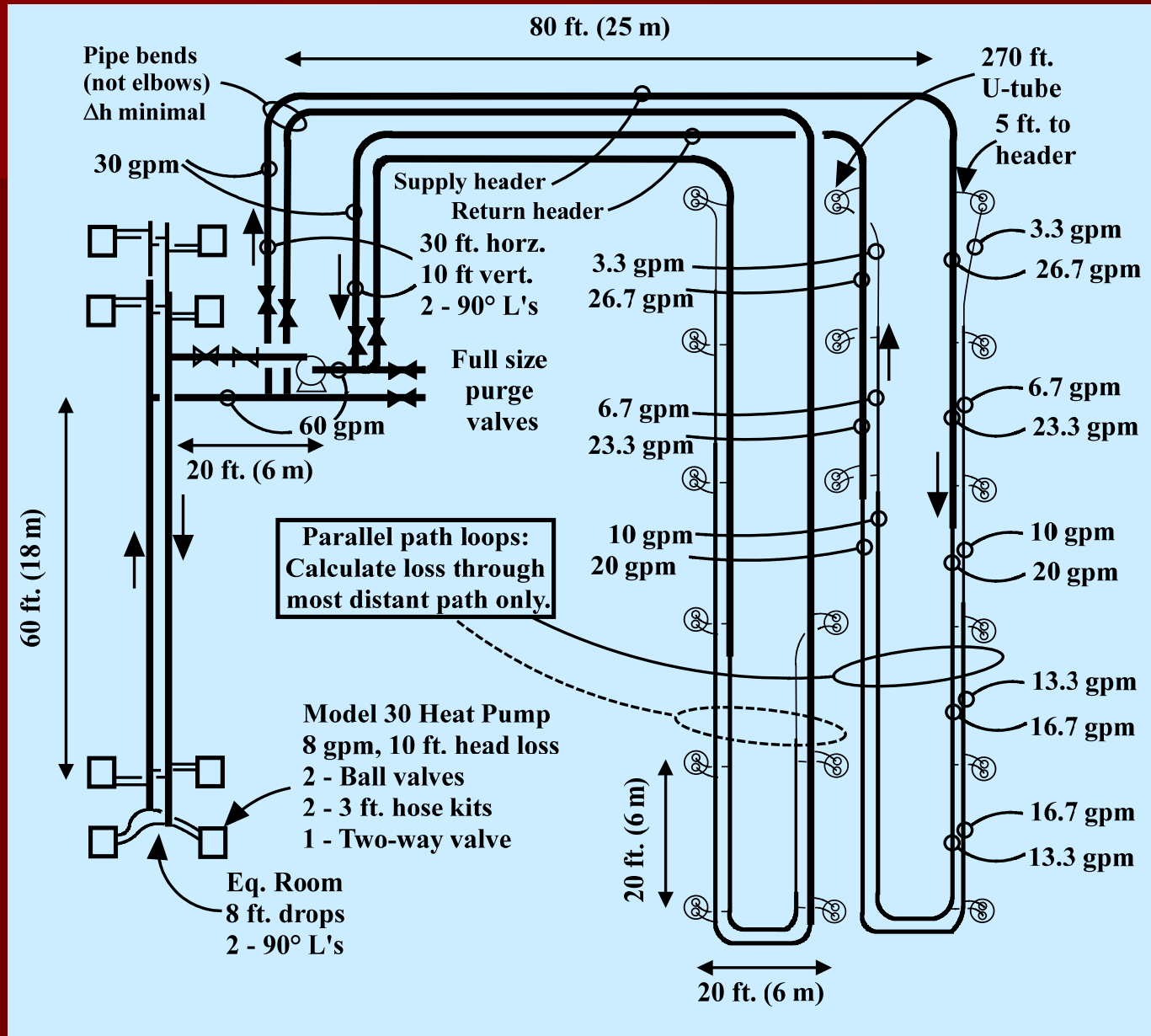
Interior Pipe: Steel, HDPE, and New Fiber-Core Polypropylene



Closed-Loop GSHP Water Loop Design

1. Layout piping network: lengths, fittings, and section flows
2. Size pipe for each section with acceptable head loss (<3 ft/100 ft)
3. Include full-size purge valves in convenient and safe locations
4. Find equivalent length of longest/critical path(s)
5. Find head loss through other components (most remote heat pump, hose kits, control valves, strainers, etc.)
6. Resize any pipe sections and components with high losses
7. Sum losses in critical flow path (do not include losses in parallel circuits)
8. Select pump and motor to operate within $\pm 5\%$ of pump best operating point (BEP)
9. Calculate required pump power (hp/100 ton) or demand (W/ton or W/kW); redesign system if grade of A or B is not achieved (See Pump Power Grade Table—third slide this session)

Example Head Loss: Steps 1, 2, and 3

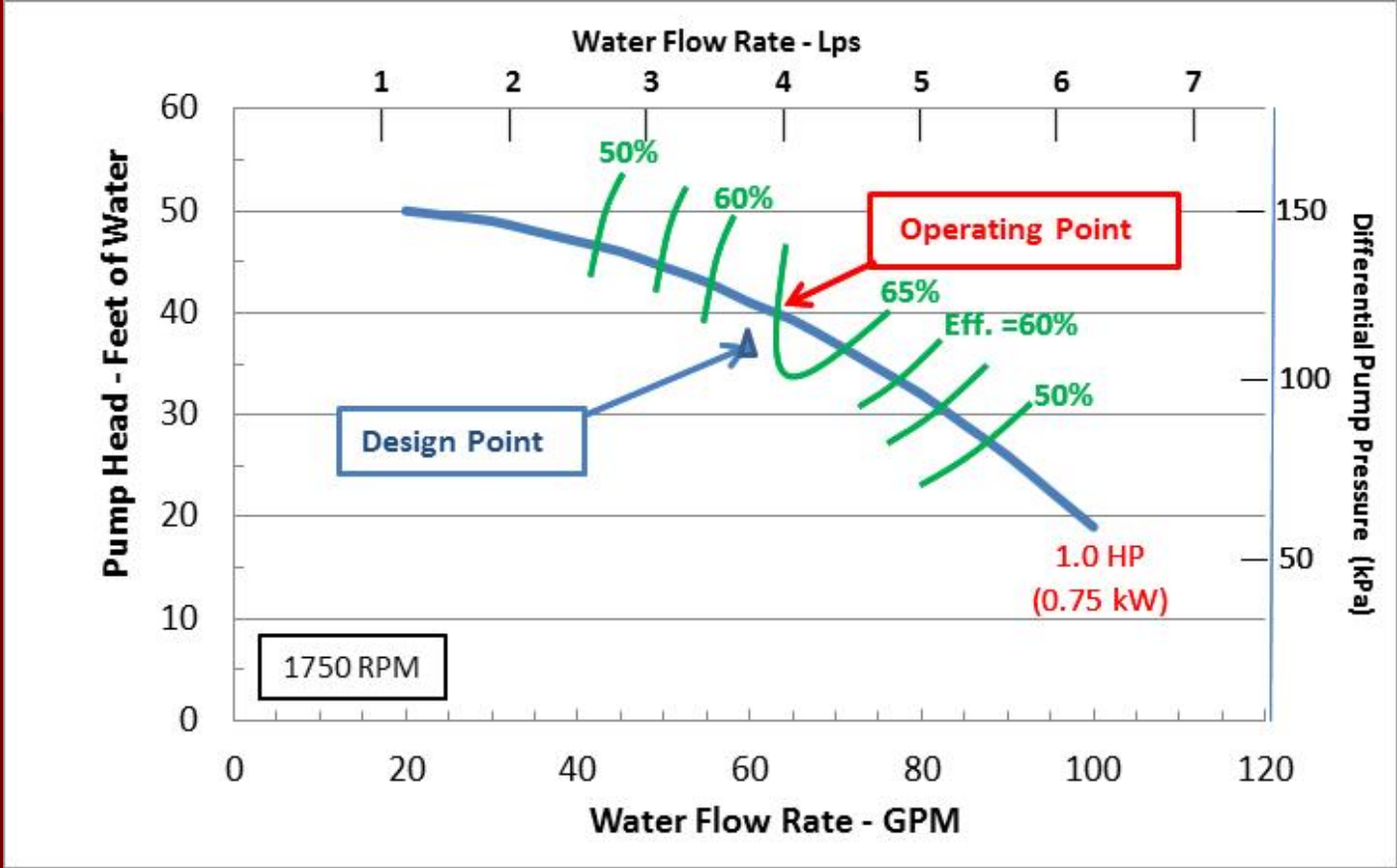


Example Design: Spreadsheet Calculation

HDPE Ground Loop and Building Loop

| Liquid | Temp | Den | Vis | Coils | Flow gpm | Rated Flow gpm | Rated Δh @ 60°F ft. water | Inlet Size inches | Inlet Vel fps | Re(in) | Rated Vel fps | Re(rated) | Δh Ft. Liquid | | | | | |
|--|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|---------------------------|---------------|------------------------|---------|------|-------------------------------|
| Water | 85°F | 62.14 lbm/ft3 | 5.44E-04 lbm/ft-s | Heat Pump | 8 | 8 | 10 | 1 | 3.3 | 31093 | 3.3 | 21932 | 9.7 | | | | | |
| | | | 0.81 cps | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | | | | | |
| HDPE Piping - Ground Loop (9 U-tubes) | | | | | | | | | | | | | Coil sub-total | 9.7 | | | | |
| Flow gpm | Nom. Dia. Inches | DR OD + t | I.D. in. | Roughness for HDPE in ft. | Vel fps | Re | Δh(ft) 100 ft. | Length ft. | Fitting Selector | Leqv ft | Qty. | Fitting Selector | Leqv ft | Qty. | Fitting Selector | Leqv ft | Qty. | Δh Ft. Liquid |
| 30.0 | 2 | 11 | 1.94 | 7.0E-05 | 3.2 | 60004 | 2.20 | 130 | Butt90 | 17 | 2 | ButtRed | 7 | 0 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 0 | 3.6 Supply Header |
| 26.7 | 2 | 11 | 1.94 | 7.0E-05 | 2.9 | 53337 | 1.77 | 20 | ButtTeeRun | 4 | 1 | ButtTeeRun | 4 | 0 | ButtRed | 7 | 0 | 0.4 After 1st U-tube take off |
| 23.3 | 2 | 11 | 1.94 | 7.0E-05 | 2.5 | 46670 | 1.39 | 20 | ButtTeeRun | 4 | 1 | ButtRed | 7 | 0 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 0 | 0.3 After 2nd U-tube take off |
| 20.0 | 2 | 11 | 1.94 | 7.0E-05 | 2.2 | 40003 | 1.05 | 20 | ButtTeeRun | 4 | 1 | ButtRed | 7 | 1 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 0 | 0.3 After 3rd U-tube take off |
| 16.7 | 1.5 | 11 | 1.55 | 7.0E-05 | 2.8 | 41669 | 2.24 | 20 | ButtTeeRun | 3 | 1 | ButtRed | 6 | 0 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 0 | 0.5 After 4th U-tube take off |
| 13.3 | 1.25 | 11 | 1.36 | 7.0E-05 | 3.0 | 38155 | 2.88 | 20 | ButtTeeRun | 3 | 1 | ButtRed | 5 | 1 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 0 | 0.8 After 5th U-tube take off |
| 10.0 | 1.25 | 11 | 1.36 | 7.0E-05 | 2.2 | 28616 | 1.71 | 80 | ButtTeeRun | 3 | 1 | ButtRed | 5 | 0 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 0 | 1.4 After 6th U-tube take off |
| 6.7 | 1 | 11 | 1.08 | 7.0E-05 | 2.4 | 24083 | 2.56 | 20 | ButtTeeRun | 3 | 1 | ButtRed | 4 | 0 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 0 | 0.6 After 7th U-tube take off |
| 3.3 | 1 | 11 | 1.08 | 7.0E-05 | 1.2 | 12041 | 0.74 | 565 | UniCoil | 10 | 1 | ButtRed | 4 | 0 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 0 | 4.3 U-tube |
| 30.0 | 2 | 11 | 1.94 | 7.0E-05 | 3.2 | 60004 | 2.20 | 110 | Butt90 | 17 | 2 | ButtRed | 7 | 0 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 0 | 3.2 Return Header |
| HDPE Piping - Building Loop | | | | | | | | | | | | | Grn Loop sub-total | | 15.5 | | | |
| 30.0 | 2 | 11 | 1.94 | 0.00007 | 3.2 | 60004 | 2.20 | 5 | ButtTeeBr | 16 | 2 | ButtRed | 7 | 0 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 0 | 0.8 |
| 60.0 | 3 | 11 | 2.86 | 0.00007 | 3.0 | 81434 | 1.17 | 25 | ButtTeeBr | 26 | 2 | ButtRed | 10 | 0 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 0 | 0.9 |
| 30.0 | 2 | 11 | 1.94 | 0.00007 | 3.2 | 60004 | 2.20 | 136 | ButtTeeBr | 16 | 4 | ButtRed | 7 | 0 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 0 | 4.4 |
| | 1.25 | 11 | 1.36 | 0.00007 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | Butt90 | 10 | 2 | ButtRed | 5 | 0 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | 1.25 | 11 | 1.36 | 0.00007 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | Butt90 | 10 | 2 | ButtRed | 5 | 0 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 2 | 0.0 |
| | 1.25 | 11 | 1.36 | 0.00007 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | Butt90 | 10 | 2 | ButtRed | 5 | 0 | 5-LoopHdrLas | 30 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Steel/Brass/PVC - Valves and Fittings | | | | | | | | | | | | | HDPE sub-total | | 6.1 | | | |
| Flow gpm | Nom. Dia. Inches | Schedule 40 or 80 | I.D. in. | Pipe Mat'l or Rghness in ft | Vel fps | Re | Δh(ft) 100 ft. | Length ft. | Fitting Selector | Leqv ft | Qty. | Fitting Selector | Leqv ft | Qty. | Fitting Selector | Leqv ft | Qty. | Δh Ft. Liquid |
| 60.0 | 3 | 40 | 3.07 | Steel-Old | 2.6 | 76009 | 1.10 | 0 | Gate Valve | 8.3 | 2 | Gate Valve | 8.3 | 0 | Gate Valve | 8.3 | 0 | 0.2 |
| | 3 | 40 | 3.07 | Steel-Old | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | Gate Valve | 8.3 | 0 | T-Straight | 10.0 | 0 | Gate Valve | 8.3 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | 3 | 40 | 3.07 | Steel-Old | 0.0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | Gate Valve | 8.3 | 0 | T-Straight | 10.0 | 0 | Gate Valve | 8.3 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | | | | | Other Fittings & Valves | Flow gpm | Cv @ 60°F gpm | Quantity | Inlet Size inches | Inlet Vel fps | Re(in) | Rated Vel fps | Re(rated) | Δh Ft. Liquid | | | | |
| | | | | | hose kit | 8 | 8.2 | 2 | 0.75 | 5.8 | 41457 | 6.0 | 29974 | 4.3 | | | | |
| | | | | | ball valves | 8 | 23.5 | 2 | 0.75 | 5.8 | 41457 | 17.1 | 85901 | 0.5 | | | | |
| | | | | | zone valve | 8 | 25 | 1 | 0.75 | 5.8 | 41457 | 18.2 | 91384 | 0.2 | | | | |
| | | | | | Strainer | 60 | 160 | 1 | 3 | 2.7 | 77732 | 7.3 | 146215 | 0.3 | | | | |
| | | | | | Swing Ck | 60 | 195 | 1 | 3 | 2.7 | 77732 | 8.9 | 178200 | 0.2 | | | | |
| Fitting sub-total | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.7 | | | | | |
| Open System: Only ▶▶ | | | | | | | | | | | | | Elevation | | 0 Feet | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | Total Loss | | 37.0 Ft. Liquid | | | |

Select Pump(s)



Calculate Pump Power and/or Demand Grade

$$\frac{W_{Pump}(hp)}{100 \text{ tons}} = \frac{1.0 \text{ hp}}{21 \text{ tons}/100} = 4.8 \frac{hp}{100 \text{ tons}} \quad (10.2 W_m/kW_t) \equiv \text{Grade A}$$

| Output Power (hp) | Full-Load Efficiency | | Part-Load Multipliers ($\eta_{PL} = PLM \times \eta_{FL}$) | | | |
|-------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--|------|------|------|
| | ~1800 rpm (4-Pole) | ~3600 rpm (2-Pole) | Percent of Full Load | | | |
| | | | 20% | 40% | 60% | 80% |
| 1 | 82.5% | 74.0% | 0.59 | 0.82 | 0.90 | 0.96 |
| 1.5 | 84.0% | 81.5% | | | | |
| 2 | 84.0% | 82.5% | 0.66 | 0.93 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 3 | 87.5% | 84.0% | | | | |
| 5 | 87.5% | 86.5% | | | | |
| 7.5 | 90.2% | 87.5% | 0.80 | 0.96 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 10 | 90.2% | 88.5% | | | | |
| 15 | 91.0% | 89.5% | | | | |
| 20 | 91.7% | 89.5% | 0.87 | 0.98 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 25 | 92.4% | 90.2% | | | | |
| 30 | 92.4% | 90.2% | | | | |
| 40 | 93.0% | 91.0% | 0.92 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 50 | 93.6% | 91.7% | | | | |

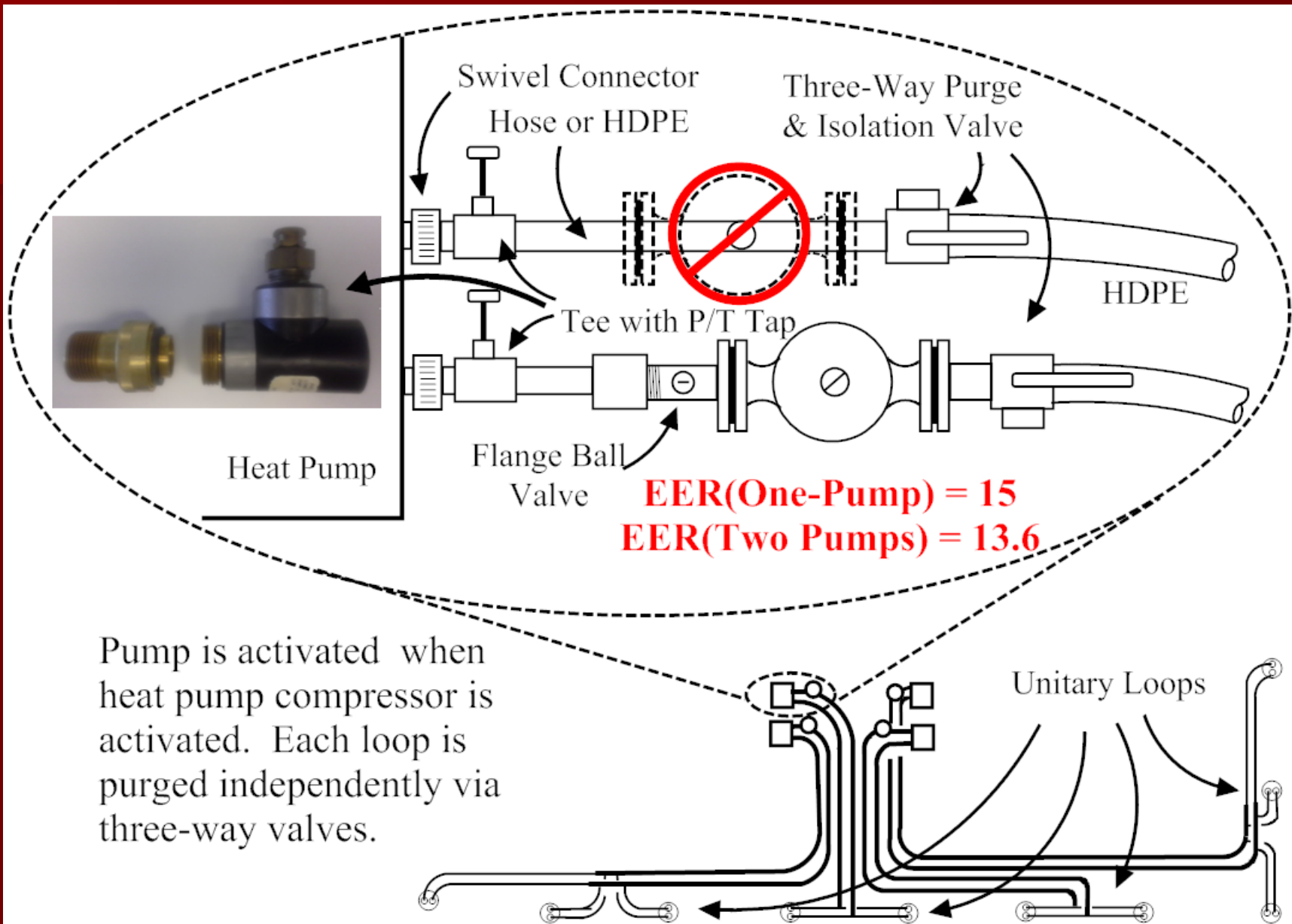
$$W_{Motor}(kW_e) = \frac{0.746 \frac{kW}{hp} \times W_{Pump}(hp)}{\eta_{Motor} \times \eta_{VSD}}$$

$$= \frac{0.746 \frac{kW}{hp} \times 1.0hp}{82.5\% \times 97\%} = 0.93 \text{ kW}$$

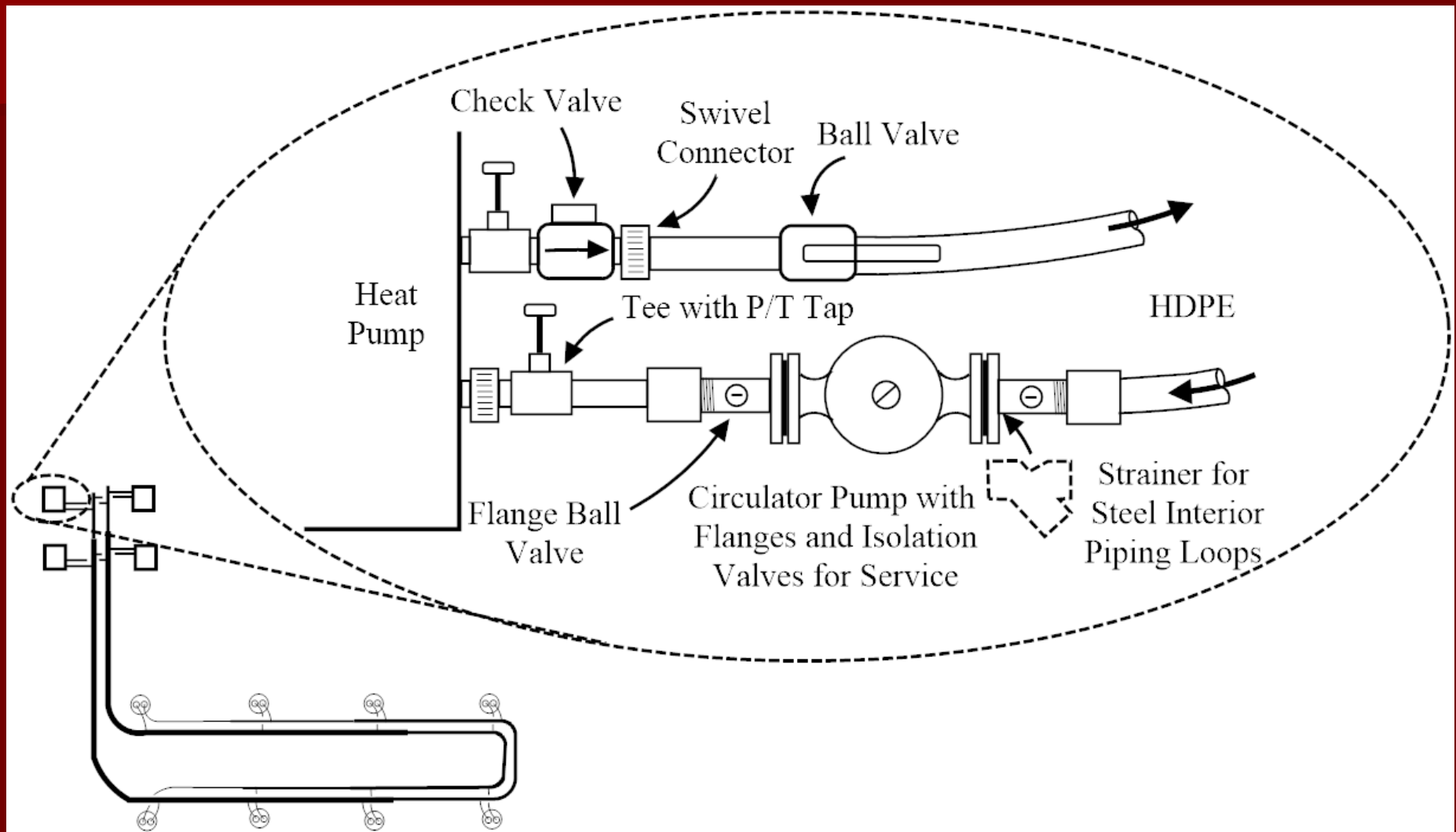
$$\frac{W_{motor}(W)}{\text{ton}} = \frac{0.93kW \times 1000W/kW}{21 \text{ tons}}$$

$$= 44 \frac{W}{\text{ton}} \quad (12.6 W_e/kW_t) \equiv \text{Grade A}$$

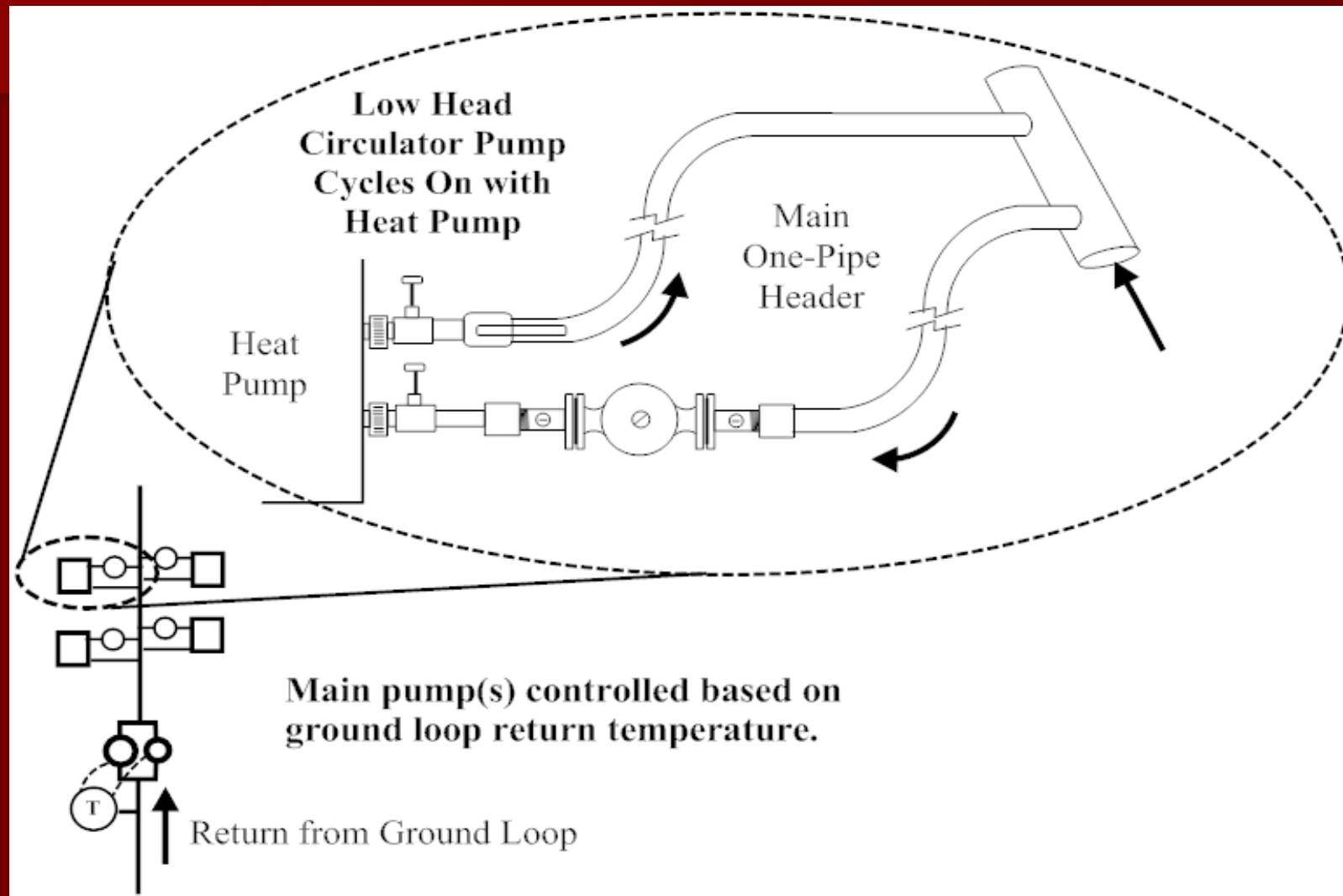
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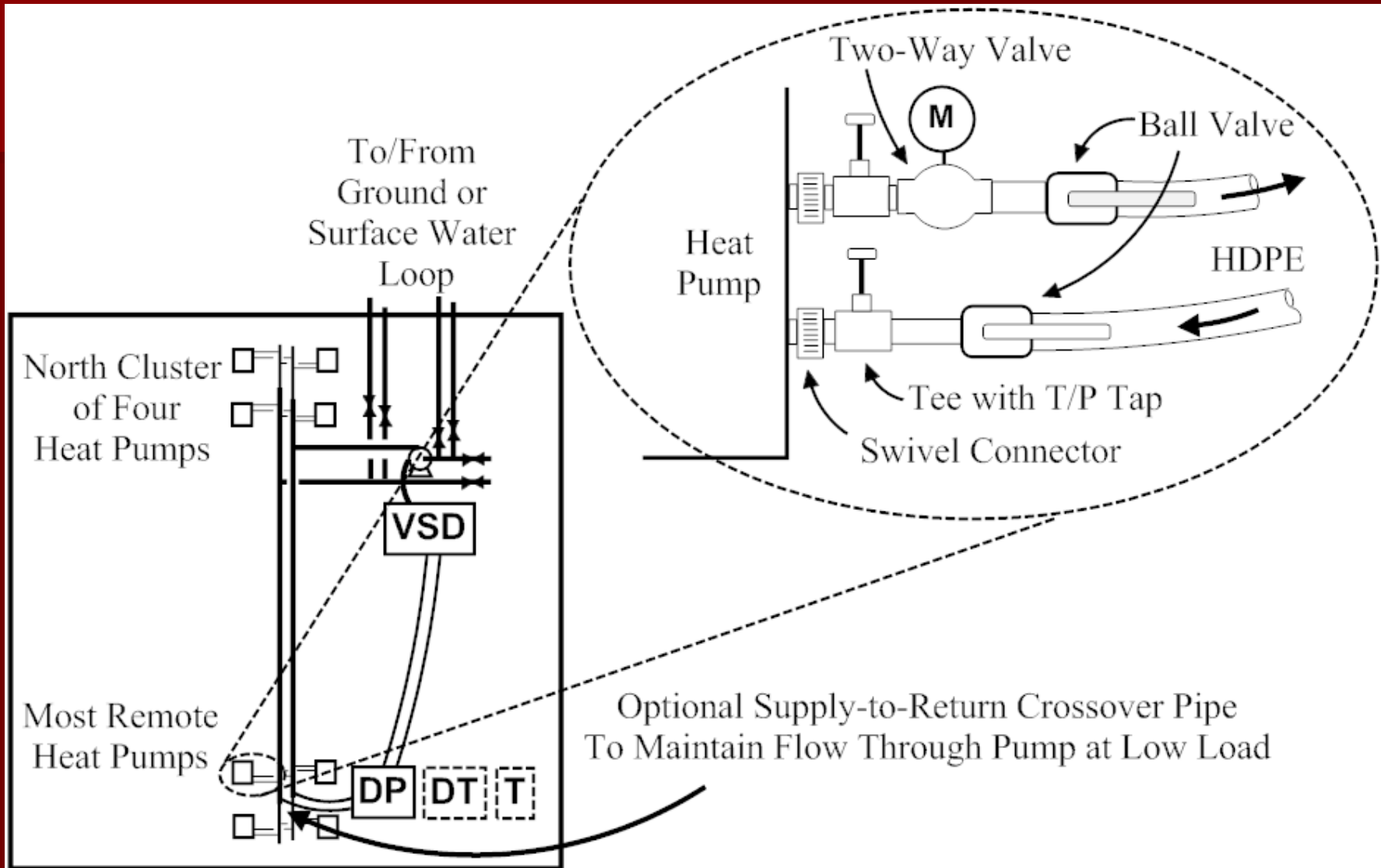
Common Loop Pump Control and Connections



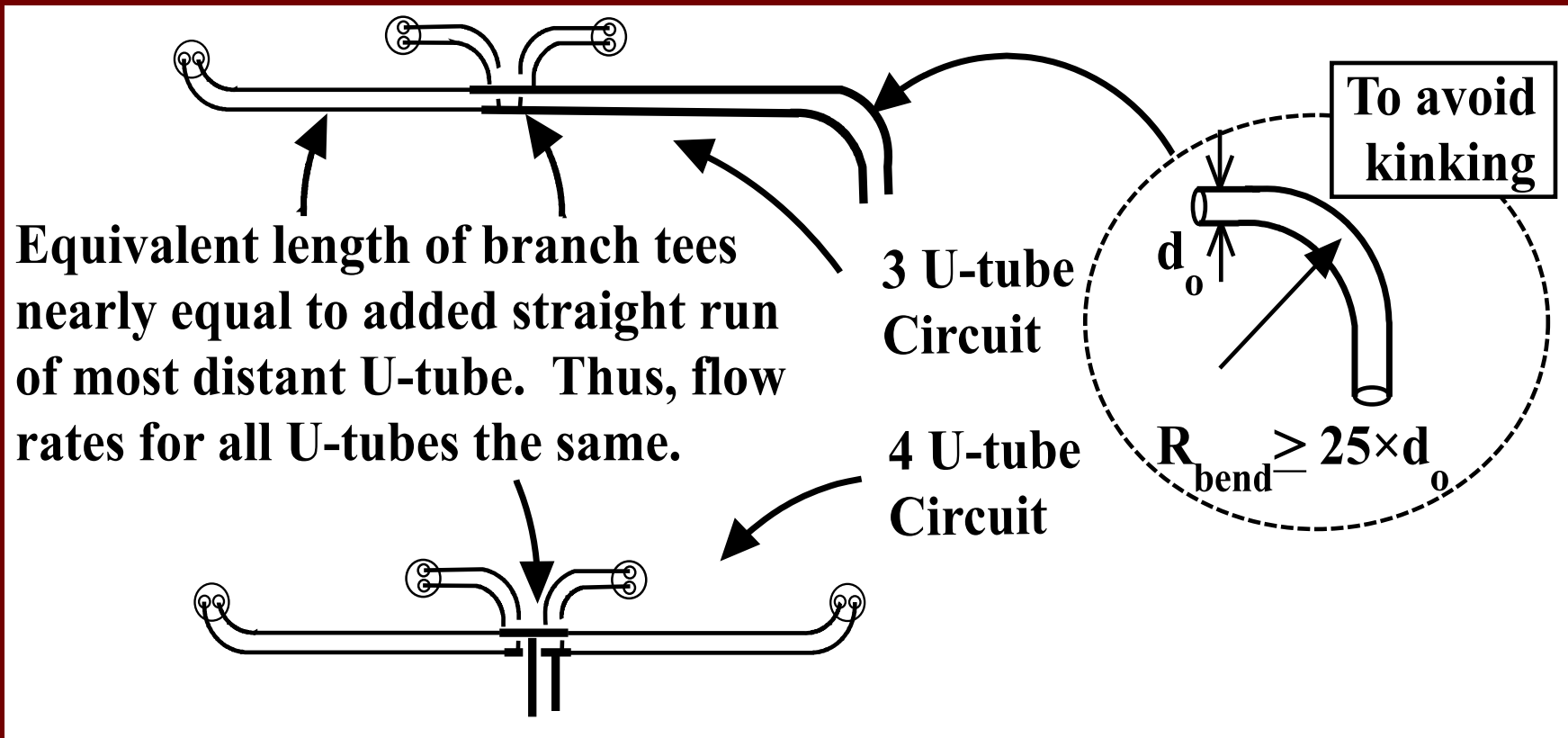
One-Pipe Loop Pump Control and Connections



Central Loop Pump Control and Connections

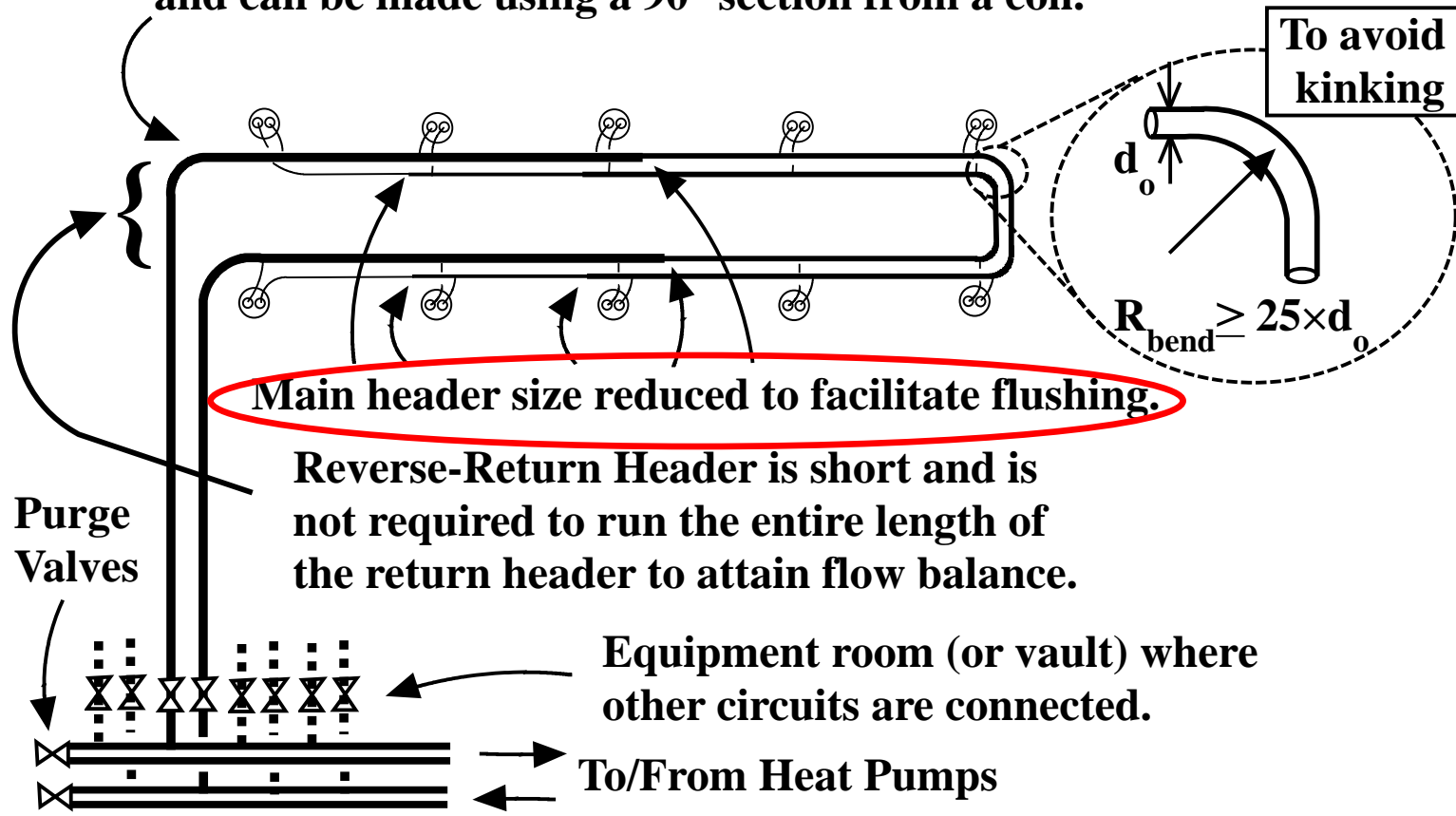


Naturally Balanced, Small Parallel U-Tube Circuits



Naturally Balanced, Modified Reverse-Return U-Tube Circuits

Elbows for nominal 2-inch (60 mm) HDPE made by bending pipe. Bends more difficult with nominal 3-inch (90 mm) HDPE and can be made using a 90° section from a coil.



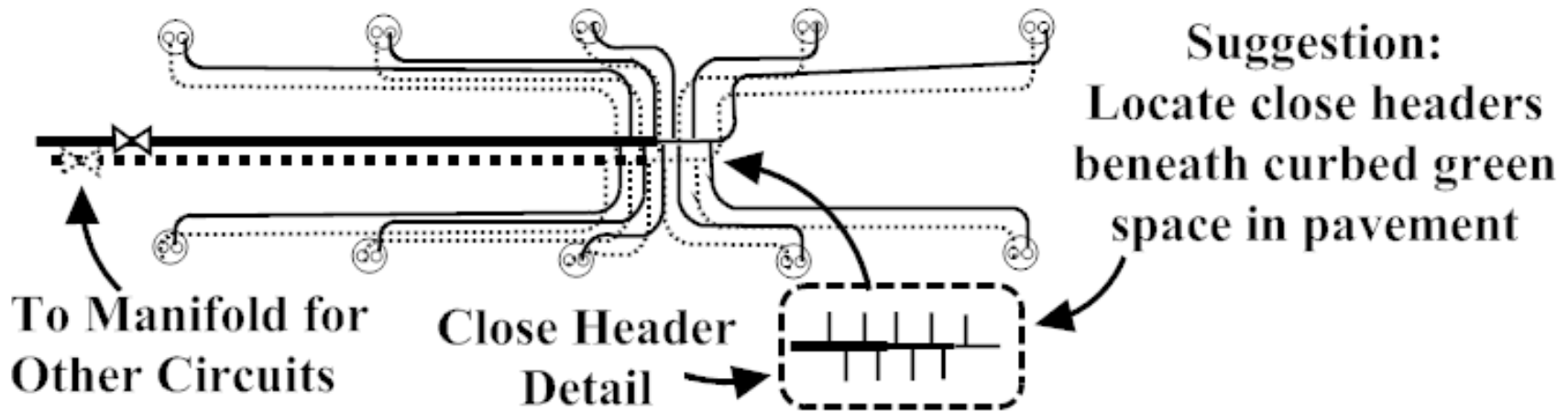
Vault or Equipment Room Manifold



Close Header U-Tube Circuits

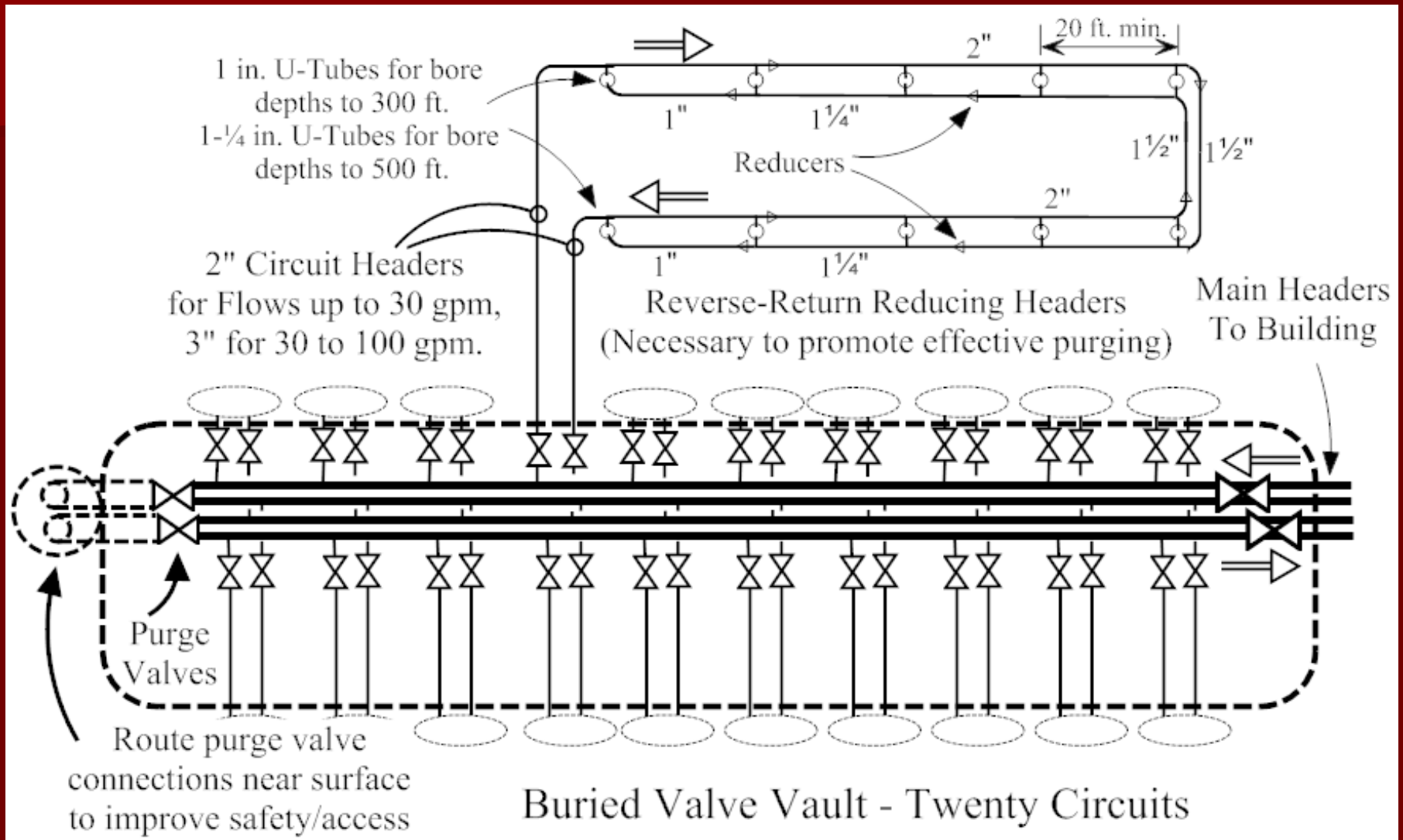
Suggested for Installations Below Pavement Since U-Tube Connections Can Be Made in Compact, Easy to Locate Area

Supply — Return.....



Out of balance? Not much if U-tube bores are deep.
Care required in labeling each U-tube to ensure supply
and return header connections are correct.

Buried Valve Vault—Twenty Circuits



Purge Pumps for 10 to 25 Ton (35 to 90 kW) Ground Loop Circuits



Purge requirement being debated:
Original specification: 2 fps but poorly
designed circuits may need up to 6 fps



Monster Purge Pump Used for Ground Loop Circuits without Isolation Valves



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Debris Removed by Monster Purge Pump after Initial Purging Attempt of 300 Ton (1050 kW) Ground Loop with an Insufficient Number of Isolation Valves



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Recommendations for Ground Loop Circuit Options

- Consult with reputable ground loop contractors to ascertain level of difficulty for options
- Request bids for alternate ground loop circuit options
- Avoid input from supply vendors unless they are willing to provide written prices for component options
- Verify local safety precautions required for burial depths greater than 4 ft (1.2 m) below grade
- For vaults, verify with local authorities for classification of and requirements for confined spaces

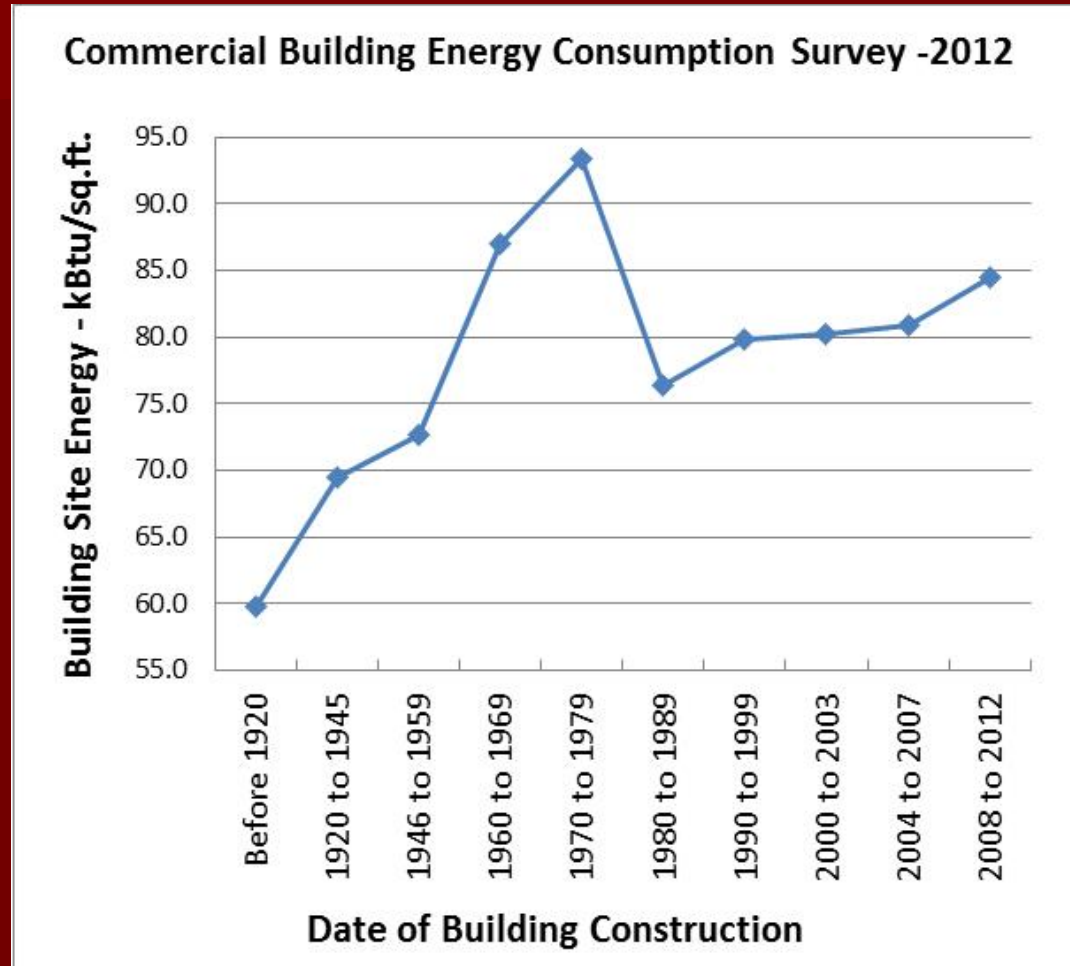
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Session 5

GSHP PERFORMANCE AND INSTALLATION COST

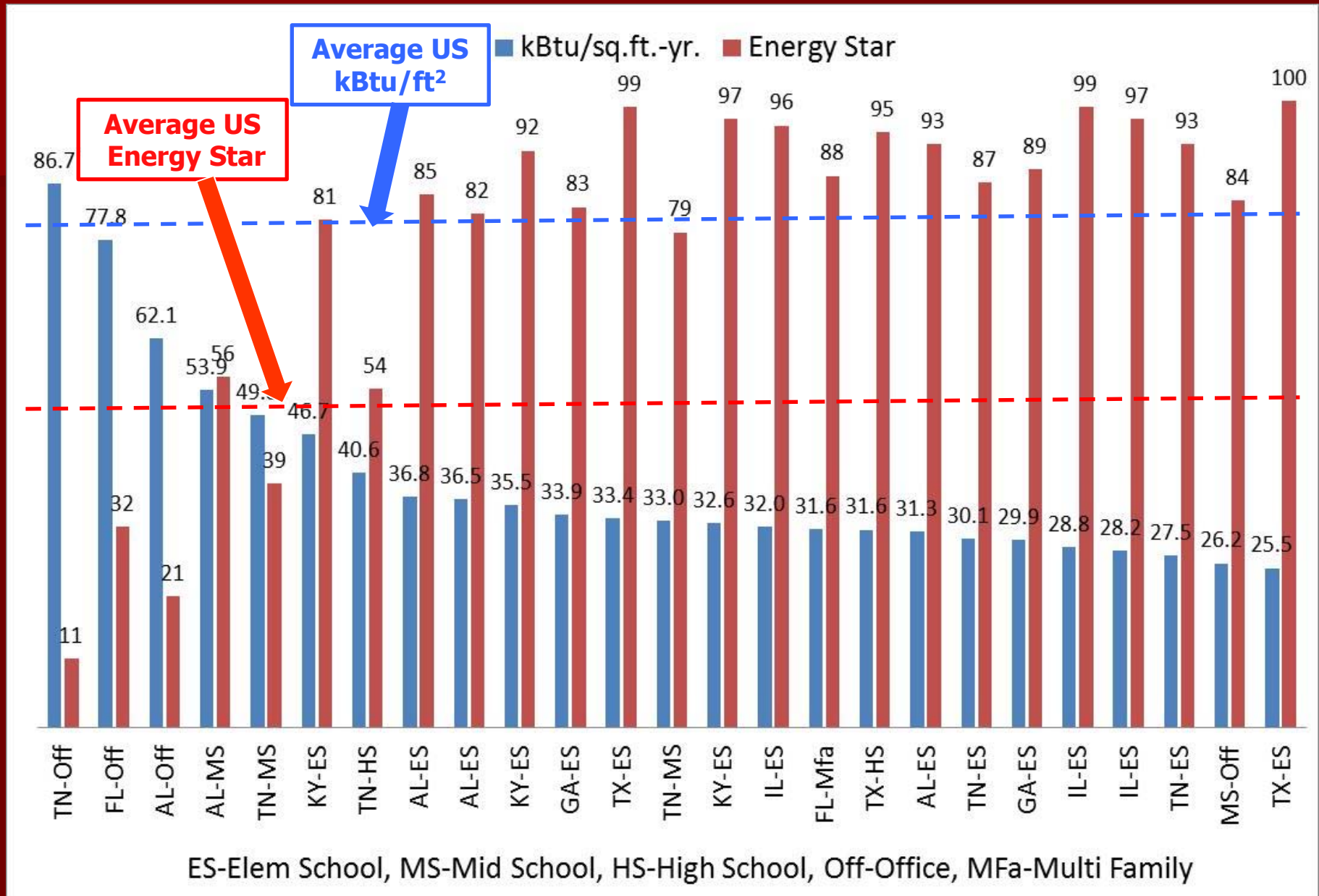
CBECS 2012 Compared to 2003

- Overall building energy intensity decreased from 89.8 to 80 kBtu/ft²
- Total lighting energy (kBtu) down 46% and Heating down 20%
- Total ventilation energy and cooling energy increased substantially
- 2008–12 buildings used more energy than those built in 1980-2007

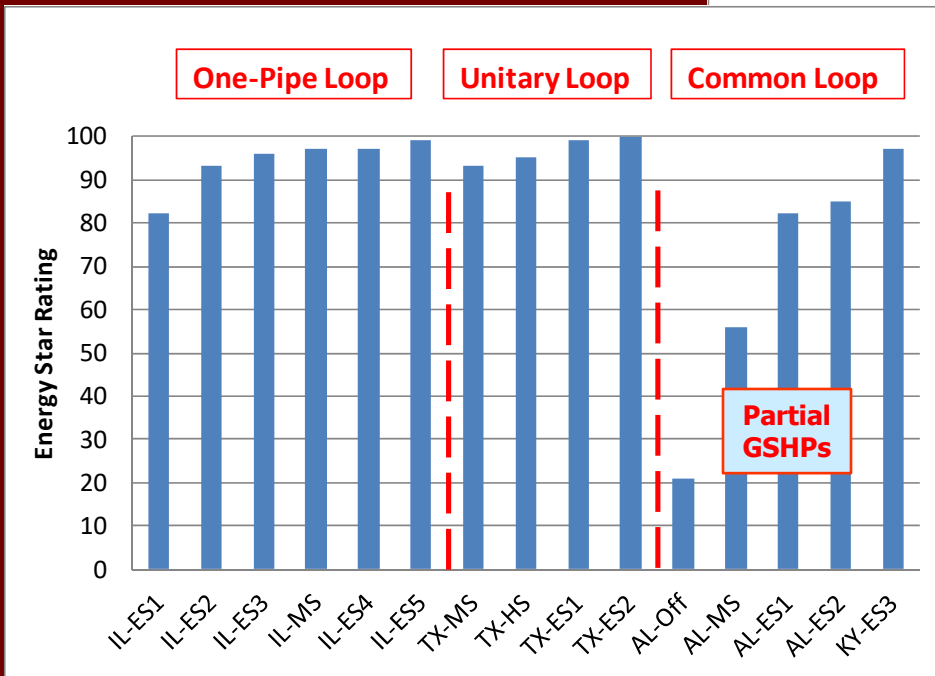
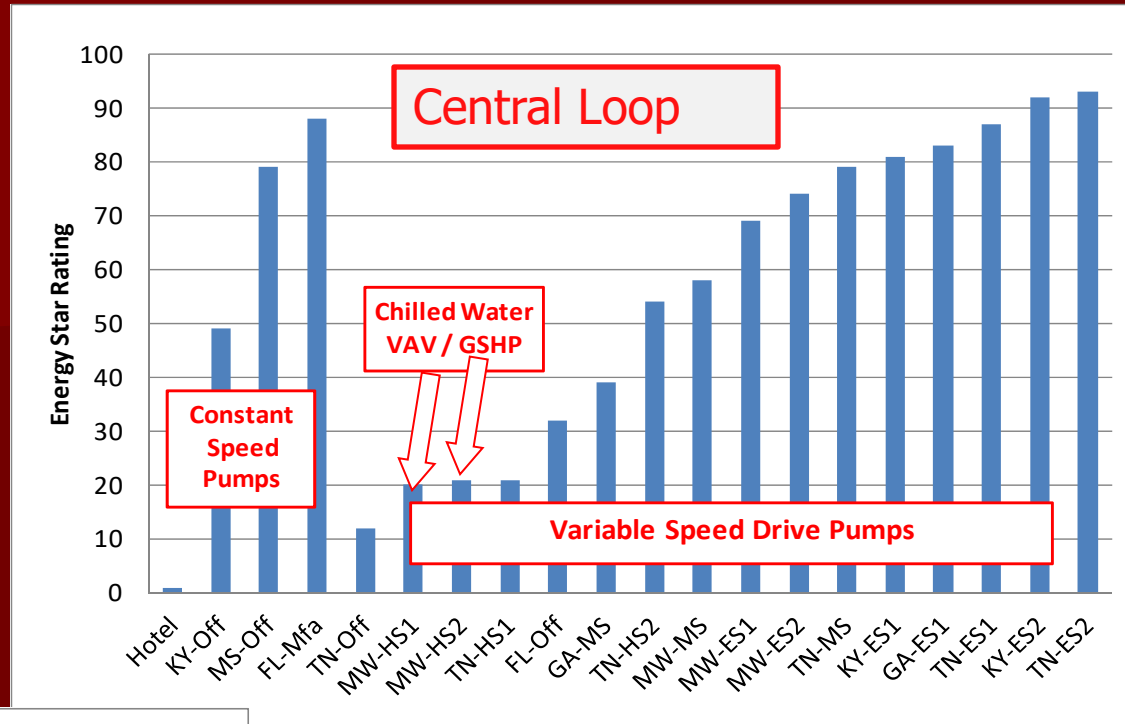


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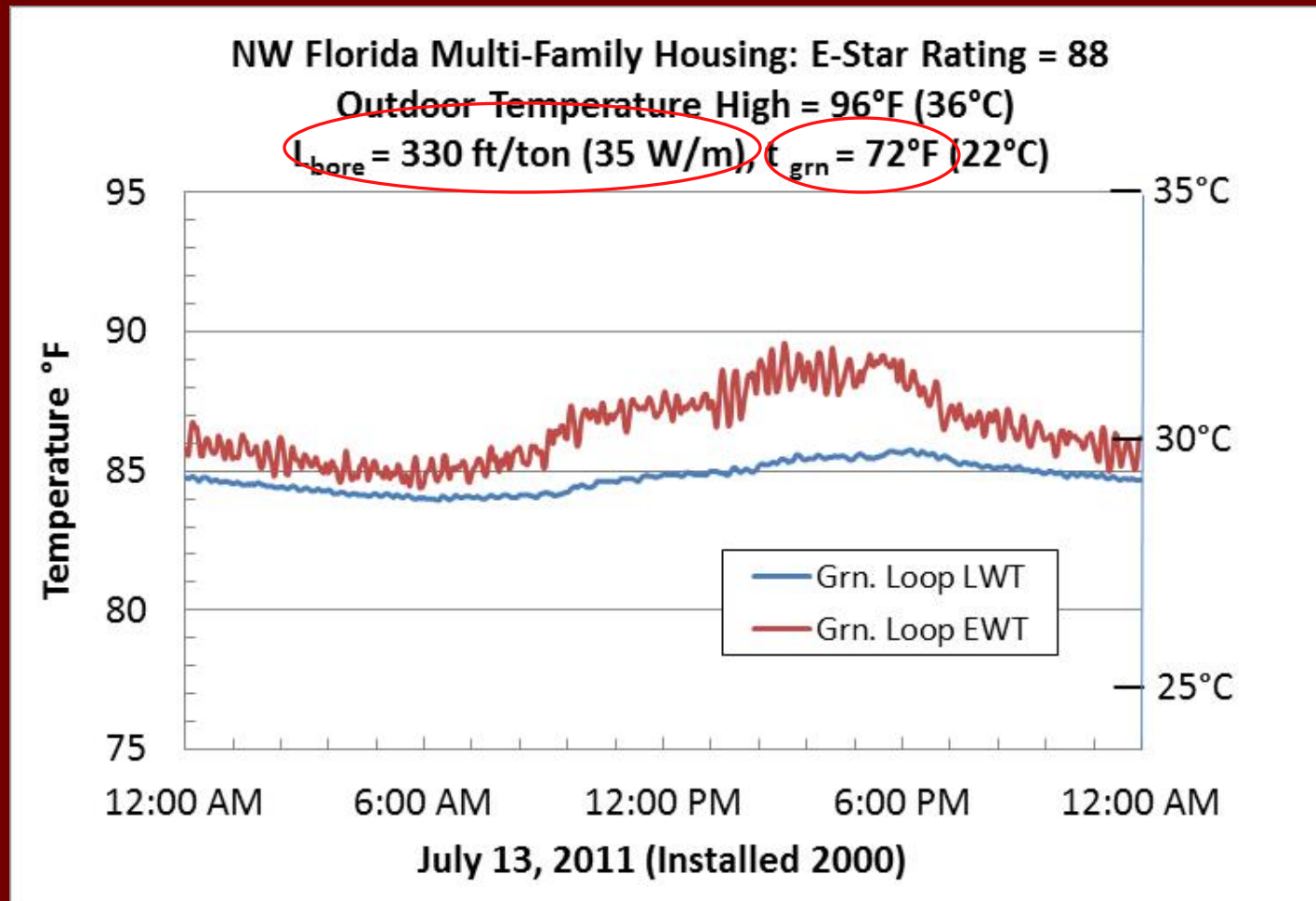
GSHP System Energy Consumption and ENERGY STAR Rating



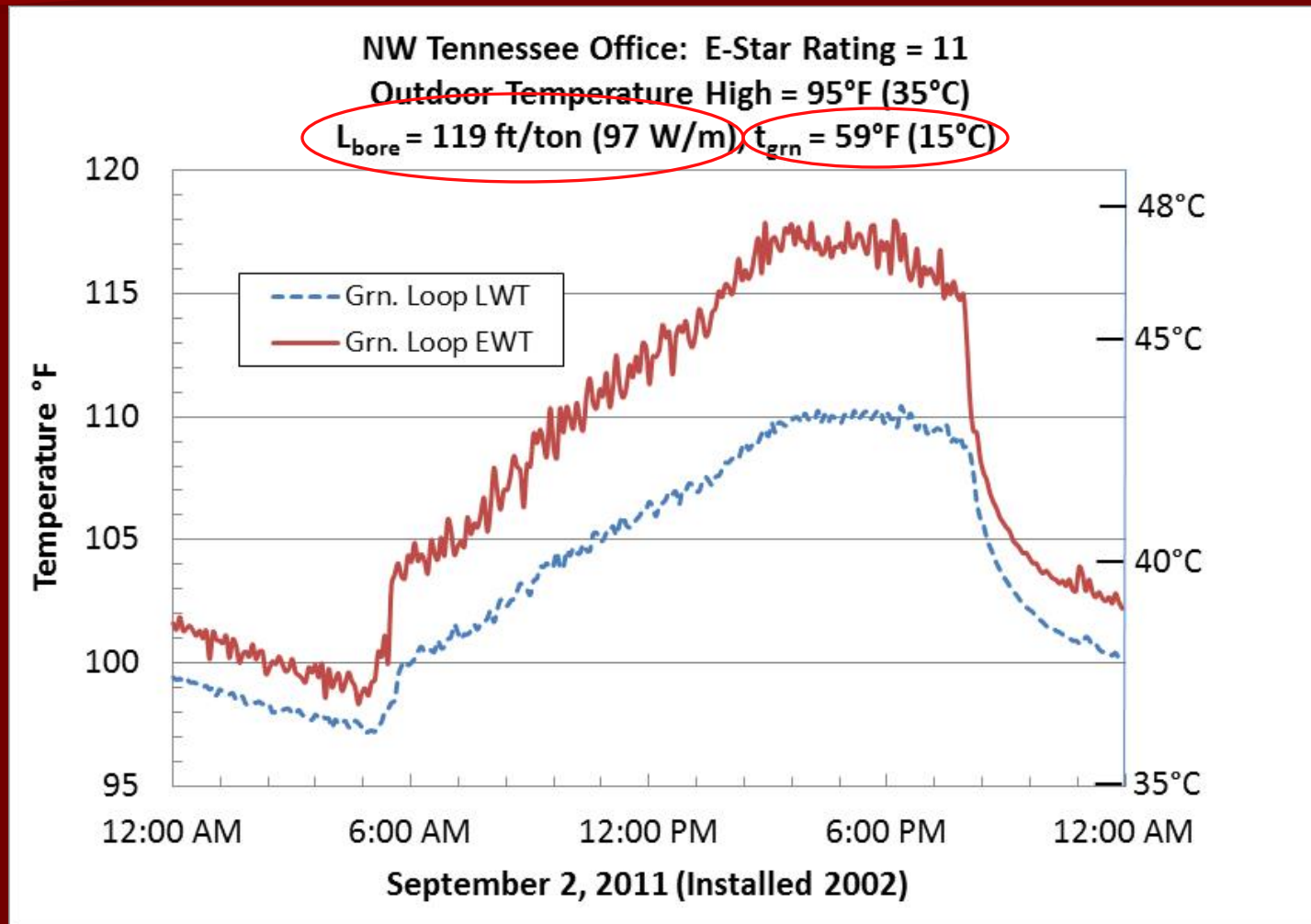
ENERGY STAR Rating and GCHP Loop Type



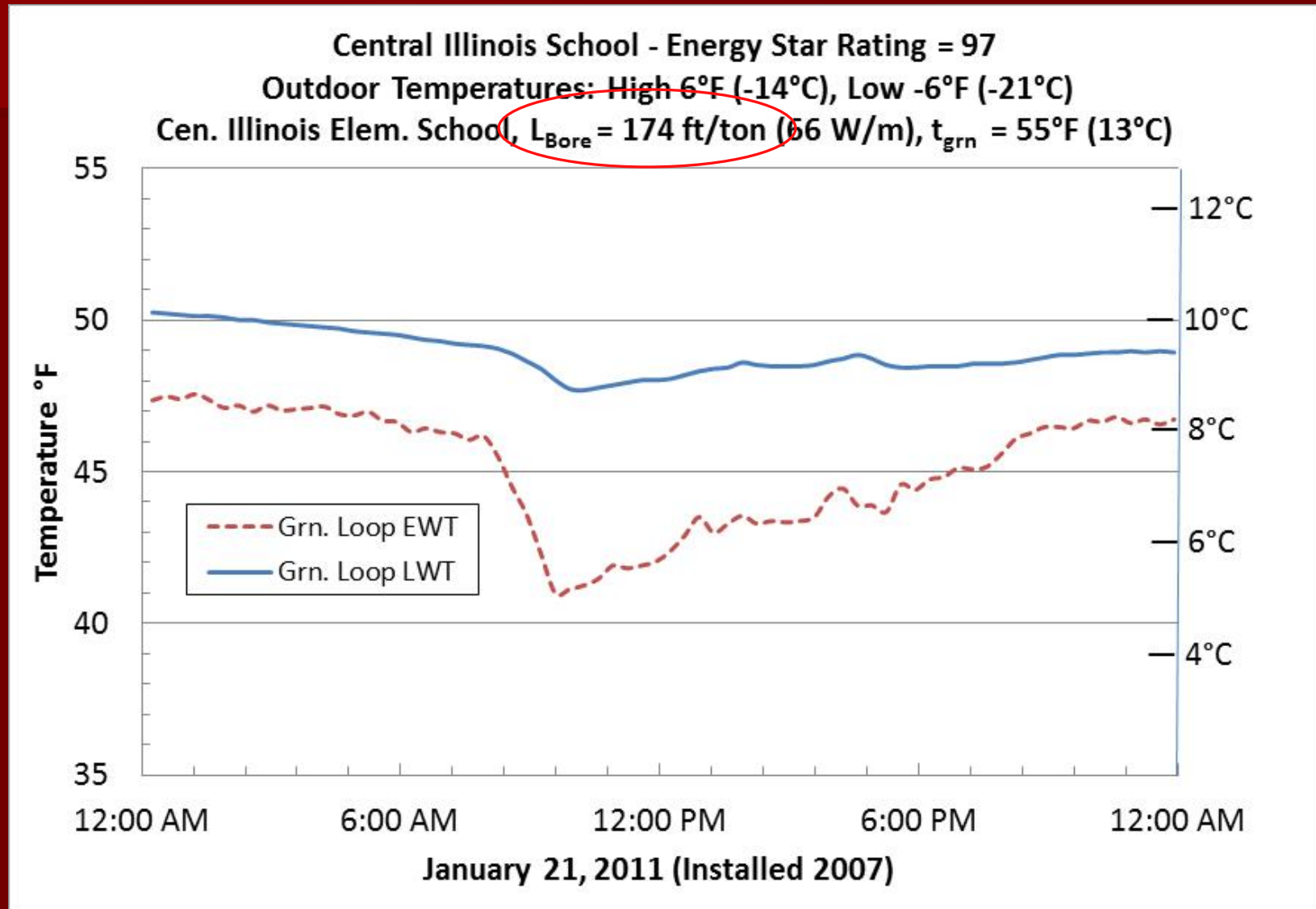
Ground Loop Performance—Nice Cooling Mode Loop Temperatures in Warm Ground after 11 Years of Operation



Ground Loop Performance—Hot Cooling Mode Temperatures for Short Loop GCHP after Nine Years of Operation



Ground Loop Performance—Nice Heating Mode Temperatures in Cold Climate

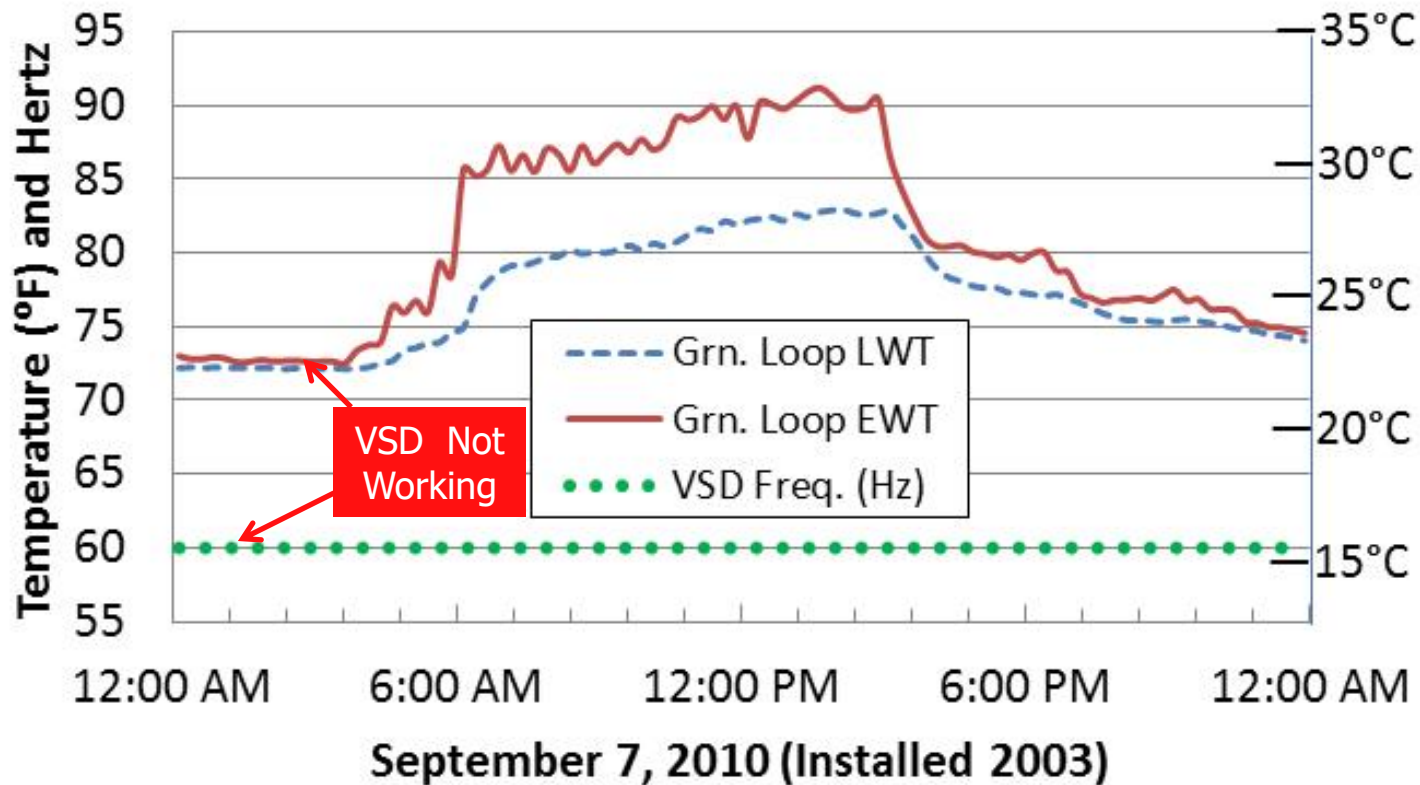


Ground Loop Performance—Cooling Mode Temperatures and VSD Speed

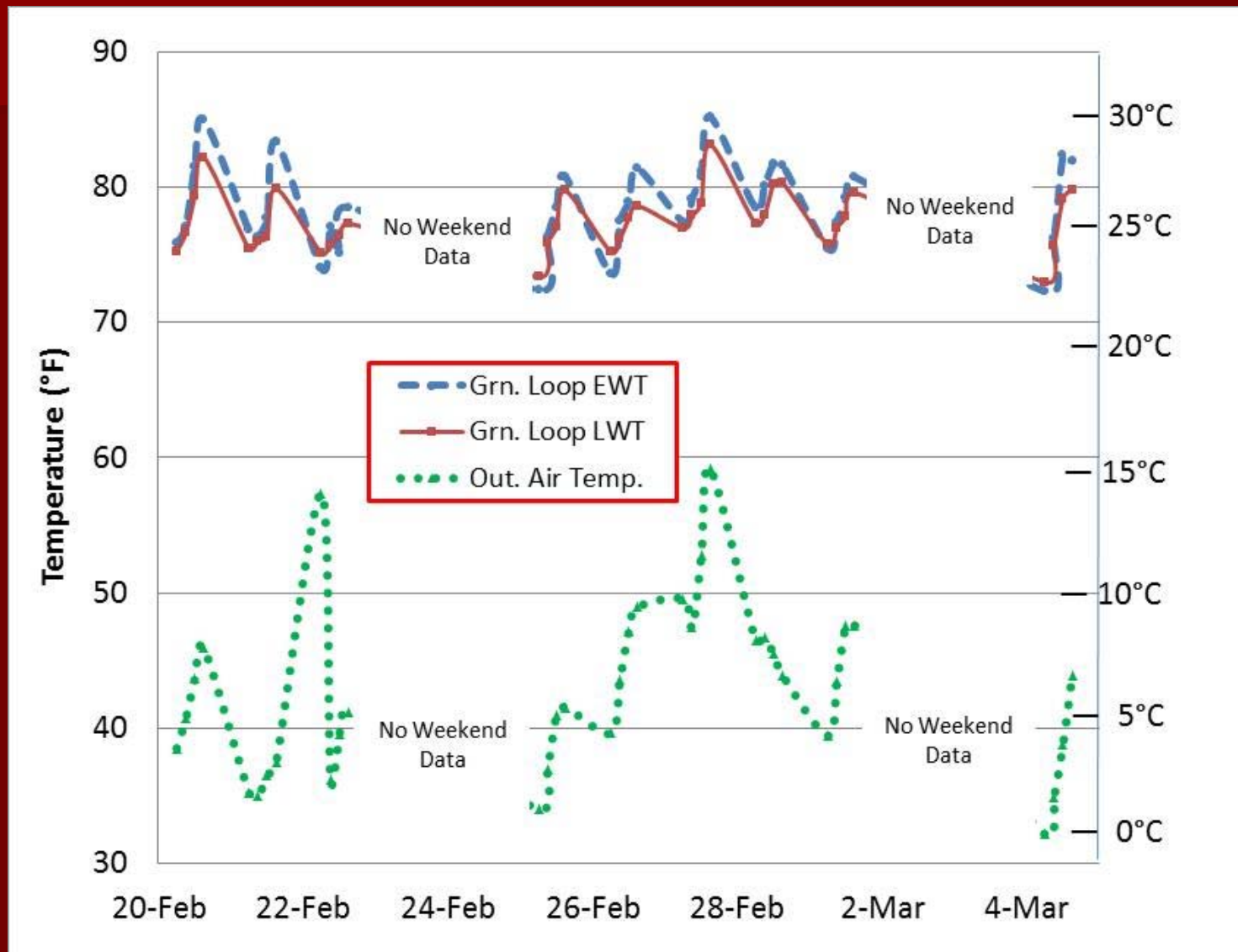
NW Georgia Elem. School: Energy Star Rating = 83

Outdoor Air High Temperature = 93°F (34°C)

$L_{\text{bore}} = 214 \text{ ft/ton (54 W/m)}$, $t_{\text{grn}} = 60^\circ\text{F (16}^\circ\text{C)}$



Why is the Ground Loop in the LEED Platinum Building Heating up in the Middle of the Winter?



Why is the Ground Loop in the LEED Platinum Building Heating up in the Middle of the Winter? (*cont.*)

- The combination of fan heat and internal loads are heating the building in the early morning
- The combination of fan heat and internal loads are overheating the building during the remaining occupied period
- In the afternoon, the heat pumps switch into net cooling to offset the fan heat and internal load
- The chilled-water pumps are also adding heat to the loop (which normally would be a good thing in the winter)

Predicting Performance of LEED Platinum GSHP Building with System Efficiency

| Item | | Enter Chiller Data | | | OR | Enter AC/HP Data | | | | | | |
|---------------|--|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------|------------|--------|-------|
| | | Qty. | kW/ton | Tons | | Qty. | EER | kBtu/h | kW-ea. | kW-tot. | kBtu/h | tons |
| 1 | Chillers or Heat Pumps | | | | --- | 6 | 14 | 345 | 24.6 | 147.9 | 2070.0 | 172.5 |
| | | | | | --- | | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | | | | | --- | | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | | | | | --- | | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 2a | Air Handling Unit Fans | | Air Flow-cfm | TP-in wtr | η fan | η mtr. | η VSD | bhp-each | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | | 3 | 17000 | 4 | 71.0% | 92.0% | 97.0% | 15.08 | 12.61 | 37.8 | -129.1 | -10.8 |
| | | 1 | 2600 | 4 | 64.0% | 85.0% | 97.0% | 2.56 | 2.32 | 2.3 | -7.9 | -0.7 |
| | | 1 | 6500 | 4 | 62.0% | 88.0% | 97.0% | 6.60 | 5.77 | 5.8 | -19.7 | -1.6 |
| 2b | Fan coil or VAV Fans Enter Air Flow, TP, and η fan or fan hp. | | Air Flow-cfm | TP-in wtr | η fan | hp-ea. | η mtr. (%) | --- | --- | --- | --- | |
| | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 3 | Return Air Fans | | Air Flow-cfm | TP-in wtr | η fan | η mtr. | η VSD (%) | --- | --- | --- | --- | |
| | | 3 | 17000 | 2 | 65.0% | 92.0% | 97.0% | 8.24 | 6.89 | 20.7 | -70.5 | -5.9 |
| | | 1 | 2600 | 0.75 | 50.0% | 80.0% | 97.0% | 0.61 | 0.59 | 0.6 | -2.0 | -0.2 |
| | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 4 | Chilled Water Pumps | | Wtr. Flow-gpm | Δ H-ft wtr | η pump | η mtr. | η VSD (%) | --- | --- | --- | --- | |
| | | 6 | 86 | 46 | 64.0% | 86.0% | 97.0% | 1.56 | 1.40 | 8.4 | -28.6 | -2.4 |
| | | 1 | 135 | 38 | 68.0% | 86.0% | 97.0% | 1.91 | 1.70 | 1.7 | -5.8 | -0.5 |
| | | 1 | 150 | 46 | 64.0% | 88.0% | 97.0% | 2.72 | 2.38 | 2.4 | -8.1 | -0.7 |
| 5 | Condenser Water Pumps (Ground Loop For GSHPs) | | Wtr. Flow-gpm | Δ H-ft wtr | η pump | η mtr. | η VSD (%) | --- | --- | Click Here | | |
| | | 1 | 540 | 92 | 80.0% | 91.0% | 97.0% | 15.68 | 13.25 | 13.3 | --- | --- |
| | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | --- | --- |
| | | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | --- | --- |
| 6 | Cond./Cooling Tower Fan | 0 | Air Flow (cfm) | TP (in. wtr) | η fan (%) | η mtr. | η VSD | hp-each | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | | 0 | --- | --- | --- | 75.0% | 100.0% | | 0.00 | 0.0 | --- | --- |
| | | | --- | --- | --- | | | | 0.00 | 0.0 | --- | --- |
| | | | --- | --- | --- | | | | 0.00 | 0.0 | --- | --- |
| | | | | | | | | | kW | kBtu/h | tons | |
| System Totals | | | | | | | | | 240.7 | 1798 | 150 | |
| | | | kW/ton = | 1.61 | EER = | 7.5 | Btu/W-h | COP = | 2.19 | | | |

Predicting Performance via System Efficiency

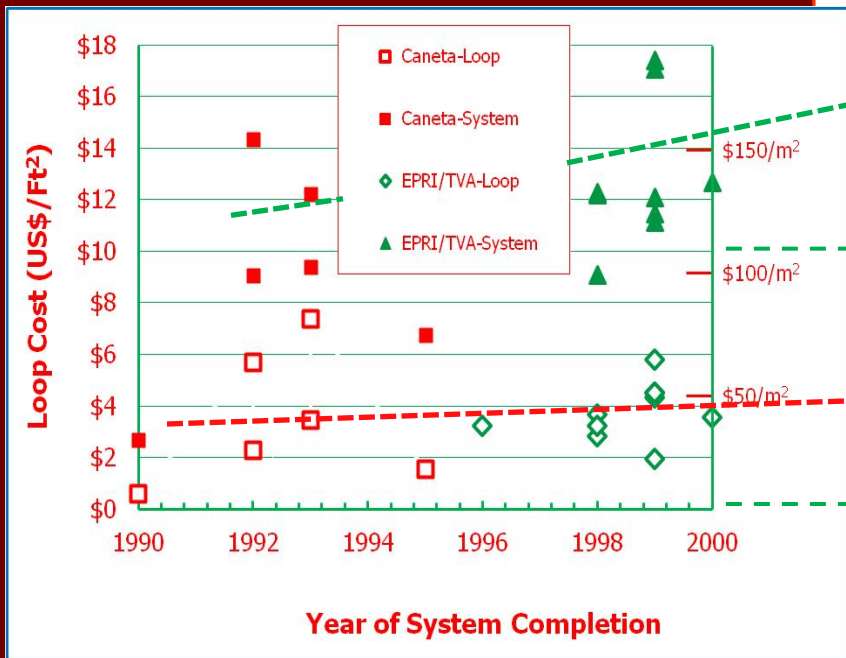
Common Loop System (One of Eight)

| Item | Enter Chiller Data | | | | OR | Enter AC/HP Data | | | | | |
|---|--------------------|----------------|--------------|-----------|--------|------------------|----------|---------|--------|------------|------------|
| | Qty. | kW/ton | Tons | | | Qty. | EER | kBtu/h | kW-ea. | kW-tot. | kBtu/h |
| 1 Chillers or Heat Pumps Clg 75 EAT & 86 EWT ESP+Δh(filter)=0.8" wg | | | | --- | 3 | 15.1 | 26.2 | 1.7 | 5.2 | 78.6 | 6.6 |
| | | | | --- | 2 | 15.3 | 32 | 2.1 | 4.2 | 64.0 | 5.3 |
| | | | | --- | 3 | 15.1 | 37.7 | 2.5 | 7.5 | 113.1 | 9.4 |
| | | | | --- | | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 2a Air Handling Unit Fans | | Air Flow-cfm | TP-in wtr | η fan | η mtr. | η VSD | bhp-each | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 2b Fan coil or VAV Fans Enter Air Flow, TP, and ηfan or fan hp. | | Air Flow-cfm | TP-in wtr | η fan | hp-ea. | η mtr. (%) | bhp-each | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 3 Return Air Fans | | Air Flow-cfm | TP-in wtr | η fan | η mtr. | η VSD (%) | bhp-each | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 4 Chilled Water Pumps | | Wtr. Flow-gpm | ΔH-ft wtr | η pump | η mtr. | η VSD (%) | bhp-each | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 5 Condenser Water Pumps (Ground Loop For GSHPs) | | Wtr. Flow-gpm | ΔH-ft wtr | η pump | η mtr. | η VSD (%) | bhp-each | --- | --- | --- | Click Here |
| | 3 | 8 | 28 | 45.0% | 50.0% | 100.0% | 0.13 | 0.19 | 0.6 | --- | --- |
| | 2 | 9 | 27 | 45.0% | 50.0% | 100.0% | 0.14 | 0.20 | 0.4 | --- | --- |
| | 3 | 11 | 25 | 45.0% | 50.0% | 100.0% | 0.15 | 0.23 | 0.7 | --- | --- |
| 6 Cond./Cooling Tower Fan | 0 | Air Flow (cfm) | TP (in. wtr) | η fan (%) | η mtr. | η VSD | hp-each | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | 0 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 0.00 | 0.00 | --- | --- | |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | --- | --- | |
| | | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 | --- | --- | |
| | | | | | | | | kW | kBtu/h | tons | |
| System Totals | | | | | | | | 18.5 | 256 | 21 | |
| kW/ton = | | 0.87 | | EER = | | 13.8 | | Btu/W-h | | COP = 4.04 | |

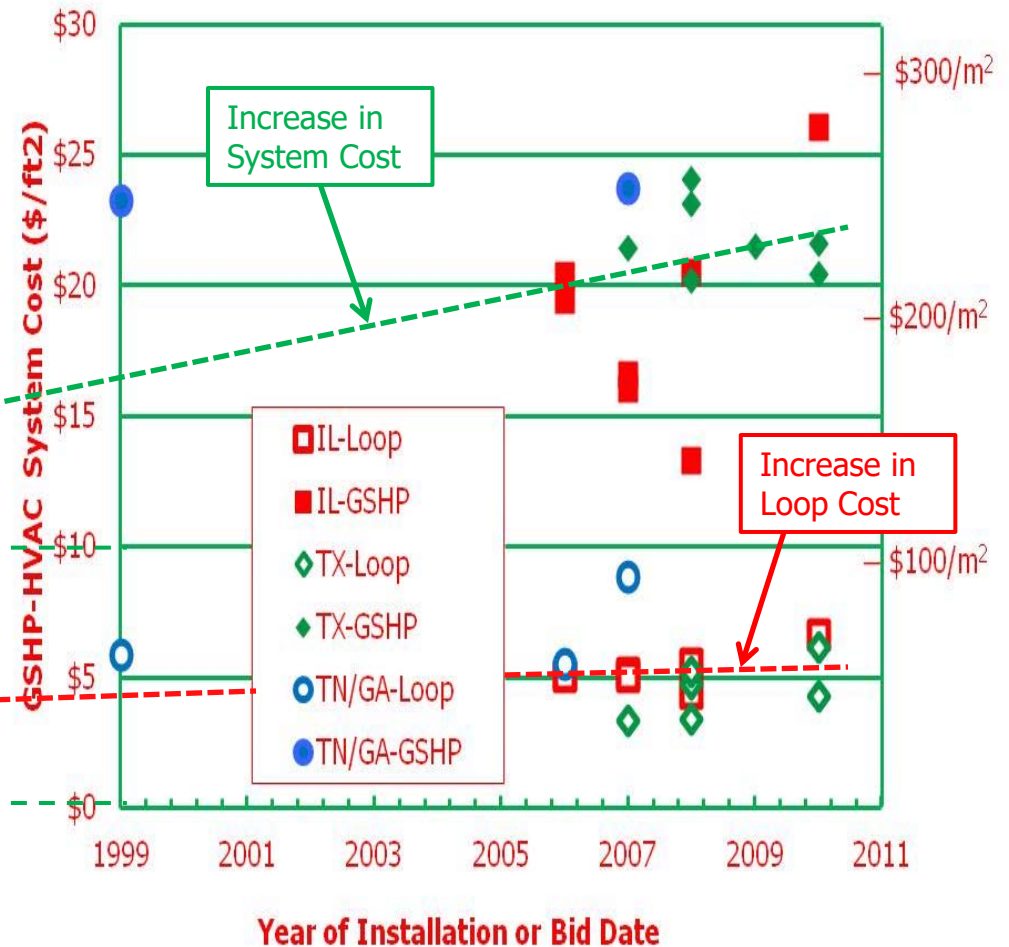
High System EER even with low efficiency circulator pumps

GSHP* Cost (\$/ft²) Previous and Recent Surveys

*All systems were ground-coupled heat pumps (GCHPs)



Caneta (1995) & Zimmerman (2000).



Kavanaugh & Kavanaugh (2012).

GSHP Costs: 1995 to 2011

- The average ground heat exchanger cost in the recent survey was 26% of total GSHP cost and increased by 50% (3% per year) since 1995
- The average HVAC cost in the recent survey was 74% of the total GSHP system cost and increased by 177% (11% per year) since 1995
- Using logic (an important tool for engineering), cost optimization should include, and possibly concentrate, on the HVAC component of GSHPs

Example in GSHP Book: GSHP Equipment Cost Chilled-Water VAV Versus Common Loop Heat Pumps

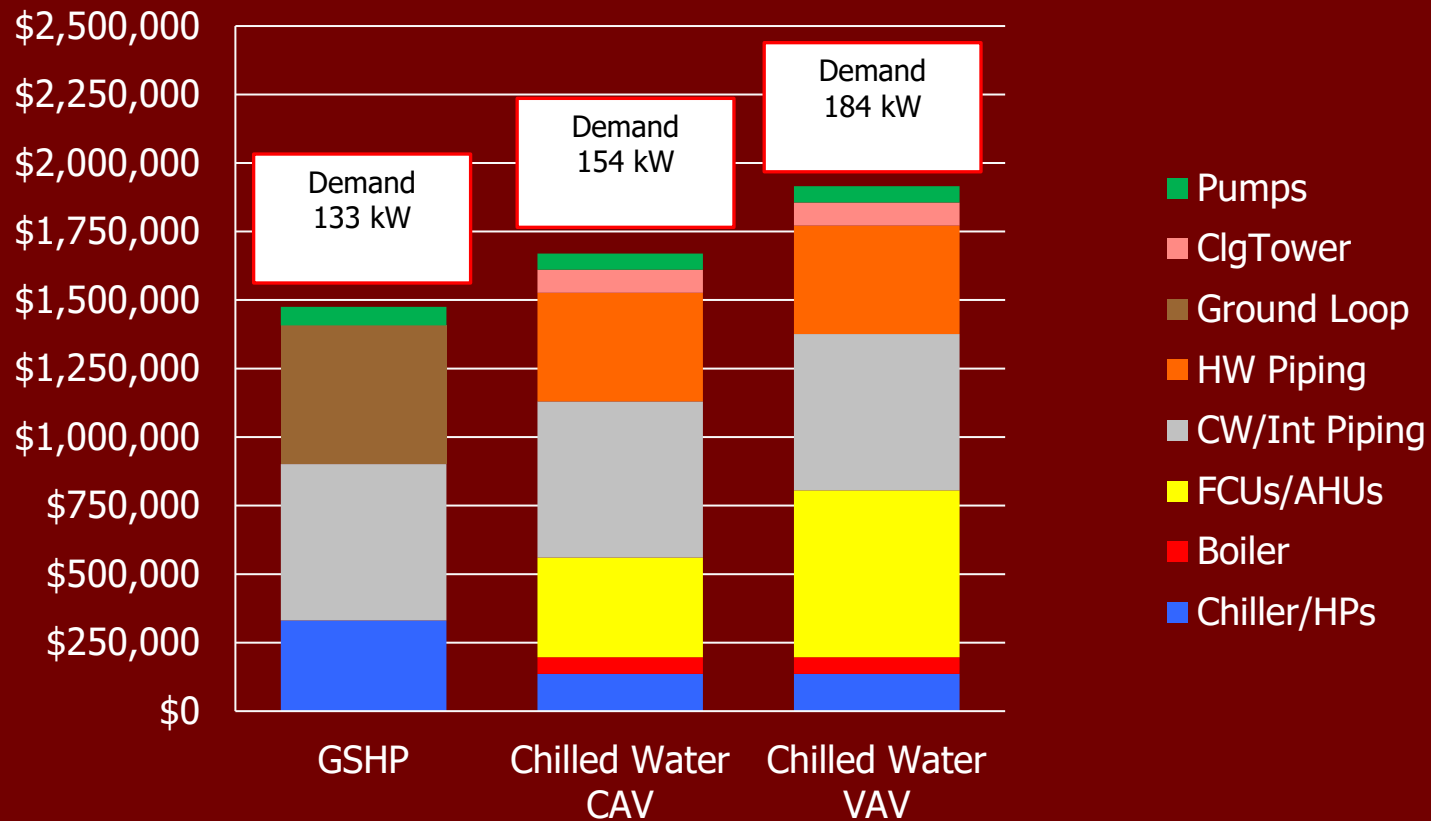
| Qty | | Unit Cost | Total Cost |
|--|---|-----------|-------------|
| 30 | 3-ton (11 kW) Heat pump | \$3,350 | \$100,500 |
| 40 | 4-ton (14 kW) Heat pump* | \$4,050 | \$162,000 |
| 30 | 5-ton (18 kW) Heat pump | \$4,750 | \$142,500 |
| 100 | 1/6 hp (0.12 kW) In-line Circulator Pumps | \$990 | \$99,000 |
| | *Interpolated values | Total | \$504,000 |
| | | Cost/ton | \$1,260 |
| | | Cost/kW | \$360 |
| Option 2 - Chilled Water VAV GSHP - Two 200-ton (700 kW) Chillers - Central Loop | | | |
| Qty | Components | Unit Cost | Total Cost |
| 2 | 200 ton (700 kW) WC Screw Chillers | \$111,000 | \$222,000 |
| 8 | 20,000 cfm (34,000 cmh) VAV AHUs | \$116,700 | \$933,600 |
| 40 | 800 cfm (1,360 cmh) FPVAV Terminals** | \$5,975 | \$239,000 |
| 40 | 1200 cfm (2,040 cmh) FPVAV Terminals** | \$7,400 | \$296,000 |
| 40 | 2000 cfm (3,400 cmh) FPVAV Terminals** | \$11,825 | \$473,000 |
| 2 | 20 hp (15 kW) Base Mounted Pumps | \$20,200 | \$40,400 |
| 3 | 10 hp (7.5 kW) Base Mounted Pumps | \$16,800 | \$50,400 |
| | **Deducts for no zone duct included | Total | \$2,254,400 |
| | | Cost/ton | \$5,636 |
| | | Cost/kW | \$1,610 |

**Vault or
No Vault
400 ton
(1400 kW)
GCHP system
with ten circuits**

| Qty. | Option 1 - Vault with Manifold and Valves | Unit Cost | Total Cost |
|------|--|--------------|------------|
| 1 | HDPE Vault w. valves - 8" (200 mm) mains 10 -3" (80 mm) circuits | \$35,000.00 | \$35,000 |
| 410 | 8" (200 mm) HDPE DR 11 Pipe | \$15.30 | \$6,273 |
| 2 | 8" (200 mm) 90° Elbows | \$268.00 | \$536 |
| 2 | 8" (200 mm) Flanges | \$63.00 | \$126 |
| 2 | 8" (200 mm) Pipe sleeves | \$525.00 | \$1,050 |
| 20 | 3" (80 mm) Butt fusion welds | \$23.50 | \$470 |
| 16 | 8" (200 mm) Butt fusion welds | \$61.00 | \$976 |
| | | | \$44,431 |
| | | Cost per ton | \$111.08 |
| | | Cost per kW | \$31.74 |
| Qty. | Option 2 - Ten circuits to equipment room manifold and Valves | Unit Cost | Total Cost |
| 4100 | 3" (80 mm) HDPE DR 11 Pipe | \$2.21 | \$9,061 |
| 20 | 8" (200 mm) HDPE DR 11 Pipe | \$15.30 | \$306 |
| 40 | 3" (80 mm) Flanges | \$22.50 | \$900 |
| 20 | 3" (80 mm) Pipe sleeves | \$238.00 | \$4,760 |
| 20 | 3" (80 mm) Pipe saddle fitting to 8" (200 mm) main | \$39.00 | \$780 |
| 160 | 3" (80 mm) Butt fusion welds | \$23.50 | \$3,760 |
| 20 | 3" (80 mm) Saddle fusion welds | \$70.00 | \$1,400 |
| 4 | 8" (200 mm) Butt fusion welds | \$30.50 | \$122 |
| 2 | 4" (100 mm) Butt fusion welds | \$23.50 | \$47 |
| 1 | Valve set - 2-8" BFV, 20-3" (80 mm) CBV, 2-4" (100) BFV (purge) | \$6,000.00 | \$6,000 |
| 2 | 8" (200 mm) Flanges | \$63.00 | \$126 |
| 2 | 8" (200 mm) x 4" (100) Reducers | \$109.00 | \$218 |
| 2 | 4" (100 mm) Flanges | \$30.50 | \$61 |
| | | | \$27,541 |
| | | Cost per ton | \$68.85 |
| | | Cost per kW | \$19.67 |

GCHP @ \$15/ft Bore Compared to Chilled-Water Systems in Alabama School*

**Cost Comparison - 150 Tons (525 KW)
GSHP - CWCAV - CWVAV
(BAS Not Included)**



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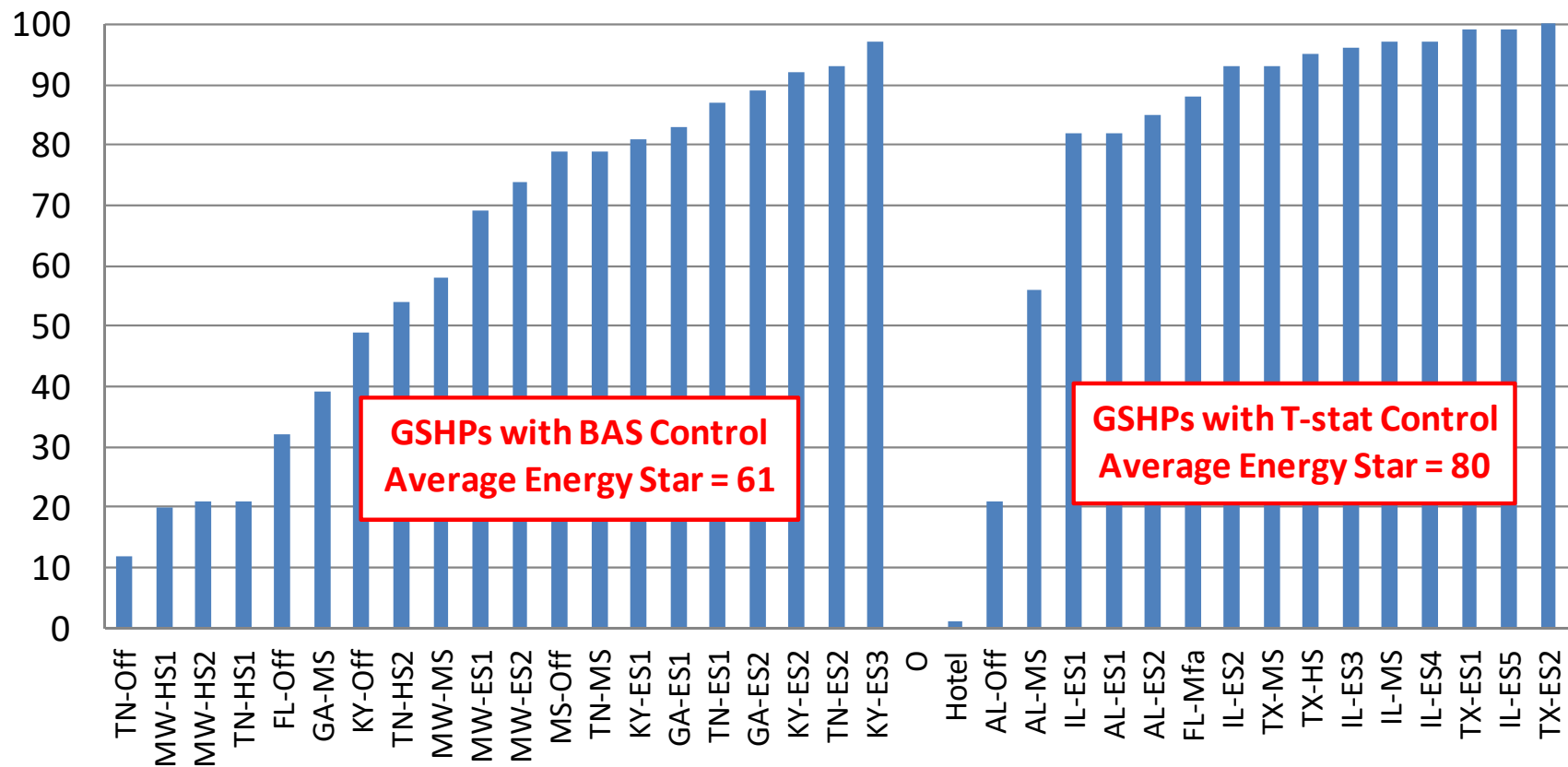
Lower Hanging Fruit to Optimizing GSHP System Costs? Equipment and Controls*

| R.S. Means 2014 Mechanical Cost Data - Controls | Bare Cost | With O&P |
|--|-------------------|--------------|
| Sensors and Transducers | | |
| | \$ per Sensor | |
| Duct temperature sensor (with 50 ft. run in EMT) | \$360 | \$395 |
| Space temperature sensor (with 50 ft. run in EMT) | \$575 | \$635 |
| Duct humidity sensor (with 50 ft. run in EMT) | \$605 | \$665 |
| Space humidity sensor (with 50 ft. run in EMT) | \$925 | \$1,025 |
| Duct static pressure sensor (with 50 ft. run in EMT) | \$490 | \$540 |
| Air Flow (cfm) transducer (with 50 ft. run in EMT) | \$660 | \$730 |
| Water temperature sensor (with 50 ft. run in EMT, not including pipe tap) | \$360 | \$395 |
| Water Flow transducer (with 50 ft. run in EMT, not including pipe tap) | \$2,075 | \$2,300 |
| Water differential sensor (with 50 ft. run in EMT, not including pipe tap) | \$850 | \$935 |
| Power (kW) transducer (with 50 ft. run in EMT) | \$1,175 | \$1,300 |
| Energy (kWh) totalizer (with 50 ft. run in EMT, not including pulse transmitter) | \$545 | \$600 |
| Space static pressure sensor (with 50 ft. run in EMT) | \$925 | \$1,025 |
| Controllers | | |
| | \$ per Controller | |
| Multiplexer panel with function boards - 48 point | \$4,575 | \$5,050 |
| Multiplexer panel with function boards - 128 point | \$6,300 | \$6,925 |
| DDC Controller - 16 point in mechanical room | \$1,925 | \$3,125 |
| DDC Controller - 32 point in mechanical room | \$4,725 | \$5,200 |
| VAV terminal box controller with space temperature sensor | \$735 | \$805 |
| Front End Costs | | |
| Computer with software program (cost vary with complexity) | \$5,675 | \$6,250 |
| Color graphics software (cost vary with complexity) | \$3,400 | \$3,750 |
| Color graphics slides (cost vary with complexity) | \$426 | \$470 |
| Engineering, calibration, and start-up labor (per sensor) | \$292/sensor | \$320/sensor |
| Basic maintenance manager software (cost vary with complexity) | \$1,700 | \$1,875 |

*ASHRAE Journal, April 2016

Factors of Influence—Method of Indoor Temperature Control

**GSHP Energy Star Rating
Building Automation System vs. Thermostat Control**



GSHP Cost Versus Performance

- Open access to cost information, both HVAC components and ground loops, is critical
- Currently, this information is limited and usually not reported, but this can change with cooperation
- ASHRAE Standard 90.1-2013 compliance is a poor predictor/indicator of *system* efficiency
- ENERGY STAR rating is a better indicator of *system* performance (for building types covered)
- System efficiency is a simple and probably better predictor of energy consumption
- Quality engineering practice can often reduce both installation and operating cost via **KISS**

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